

Barr visits Bowie Refined Coal



Photo by Lisa Bicknell

Congressman Andy Barr was in Estill County on Monday, March 31, to visit with workers at Bowie Refined Coal. After two years of planning and preparation, the facility is now processing coal waste leftover from the South East Coal era.

Congressman calls facility 'a blessing' to the area

By **LISA BICKNELL**

CV&T News Editor

On Monday, Sixth district Congressman Andy Barr visited Bowie Refined Coal (BRC), now in operation at the former site of the South East Coal processing plant.

"We are blessed to have this opportunity," said Barr, who says he will continue to fight for policies that allow for the construction of facilities such as BRC.

He said the federal government has blocked new coal-fired power plants, and added, "It would be devastating if those [laws] applied to existing plants."

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Clay City husband and wife arrested for theft at Furnace

By **LISA BICKNELL**

CV&T News Editor

A Clay City husband and wife were arrested on March 25 for stealing items valued at more than \$38, 000 and causing additional damages of more than \$29,000.

Kentucky State Trooper Jason Carpenter was dispatched to 2700 Furnace Junction Road in reference to a building on the property that had items stolen from it.

The owners of the property showed Carpenter several large antique oil pumps that had been taken apart and destroyed for scrap metal, including an engine and four others that had been stripped down. Eight hundred feet of pipe and 1000 feet of wiring were stolen.

The items were estimated to be valued at \$38,100, and the

damage to the machines was estimated to be \$29,500.

The owners located some of the stolen items at Freedom Metals in Winchester. Trooper Carpenter was able to get pictures of the subjects and their vehicle.

A Powell County deputy located the couple, and when Carpenter interviewed Brewer and his wife, they admitted to taking the items over the past two weeks.

According to the police report, they said that "some random guy named Jesse" told them they could take the items. The couple was taken to the Estill County jail. Both were charged with burglary, third degree, criminal mischief, first degree and criminal trespassing, third degree.

Their bond was set at \$25,000 each, and a pre-trial hearing was set for April 2, 2014.

Calmes re-awarded medals



On Monday, Vietnam War veteran Darrell Calmes was presented several medals by Congressman Andy Barr for his service to the country.

Calmes had been awarded the medals before, but they were destroyed in a house fire in 1975.

He was presented with an Expert in Auto Rifle and Pistol bar, a Sharpshooter

Badge and Grenade bar, Marksman and Machine Gun Bar, a Republic of Vietnam Campaign ribbon with device, a Vietnam Service Medal, a National Defense Service Medal, an Army Commendation Medal, and a Combat Infantry Medal.

Calmes entered the Army in October of 1970 as a 19-year old. He served in Vietnam for two years.



Photo by Lisa Bickell

Estill County High School sophomores listen attentively to advice from local law enforcement officials about the devastating effects of having a criminal record.

Operation Preparation Preparing students for the real world

By **LISA BICKNELL**

CV&T News Editor

Last week Estill County eighth and tenth grade students participated in Operation Preparation, a program to emphasize college and career readiness.

Some of the program's workshops focused on skills to make a better impression on employers: networking, social media, dressing for success, effective resume writing and applications, interviewing skills and work ethics.

A more sobering session of Operation Preparation was

a panel discussion about the negative, if not devastating, impact of having a criminal conviction and record when looking for a job, or applying for college or the military.

County Attorney Rodney Davis was the first of the panel members to speak. His office handles all misdemeanor prosecutions, juvenile cases and child support collections for Estill County. Davis emphasized the importance of credibility.

"You can't borrow it--you have to earn it," he said, pointing out that its hard to get credibility back once it's

gone.

"With today's competitive job market, if you have a felony on your record, employers will strike you off," said Davis.

Local courts see 350 to 400 cases twice a month, many of whom are repeat offenders.

"Two or three charges almost guarantees you can't get a job," Davis said.

Trooper Robert Purdy, an eight-year veteran with the Kentucky State Police, also addressed tenth graders and encouraged students to always do the right

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Toddlers found in street

Children's mother and her boyfriend arrested

By **LISA BICKNELL**

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An Irvine couple was arrested last weekend after strangers reported seeing a three year old and a 10-month old wandering in the street in cold rainy weather.

Iris Clarice Brook, 25, of

620 Henry White Road, and Joshua Matthew Cobble, also of 620 Henry White Road, were arrested for wanton endangerment by IPD Officer John Sturniolo when he was dispatched to the Emergency Services Building on Broadway after the children were found.

The air temperature was 43 degrees and it was raining. When Officer Sturniolo located the parents at 167 Broadway, they were both "sleepy" and were not aware that the children were missing.

The citation states that the

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Locals featured in vacation commercial

Students filmed on fall break last year in Myrtle Beach

By **LISA BICKNELL**
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Viewers of the NCAA tournament may have spotted a couple of Estill County Middle School students recently in a commercial filmed at Myrtle Beach. Sandra and Doug Richardson, the students' grandparents, go to Myrtle Beach every fall, and they take whichever of their grandchildren

who want to go. Last fall, Shawn Richardson and Ashley and Katie Patrick went with them. When a television crew asked if they wanted to be in a commercial, Shawn and Ashley agreed. Sandra's sister Dottie Gregory, snapped a few pictures during the filming. The commercial has aired frequently on Channel 27, Sandra said.

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More than \$20,000,000 has been spent to build and renovate the processing facilities of BRC, said Vice President of Operations, Justin Thompson. BRC hopes to employ about 60 people once it is in full production, and wages will average around \$21 an hour. Estill County Judge-executive Wallace Taylor said the building that now houses the offices of BRC was nothing but a concrete hull two years ago. The two coal plants on site were taken apart in Alabama, and reassembled here. They have been sand-blasted and painted, and the loading tippie has been refurbished also. Other installations made around the property are new loading systems, an overflow pond, and a new six-inch waterline. Judge Taylor said he is "happy to see something happening." He described the work at BRC as a two-part operation, one wet and one dry. While a dredging machine is processing 3000 gallons a minute from the refuse ponds, the dry refuse piles, now covered in cedars and sage grass, are being mined. When South East cleaned coal in the same

location decades ago, a lot of product was discarded that, because of changing regulations and improved technology, can now be refined and sold to customers. East Kentucky Power is one of those customers. "There is 26 million tons of reusable product here," said Taylor. He estimates that recycling the coal refuse will keep BRC busy for eight to ten years. Justin Thompson, vice president of operations at BRC, calls it a "win-win situation for everybody," including those it provides jobs, EKP and residents of the county. Another benefit, Taylor said, is that the county will receive coal severance tax money again which it has not received for 11 years. He said only areas where coal is trucked out are considered "transportation communities." BRC is trucking the refined coal out of the facility, already and Taylor said, "We are ready to load trains." Thompson said there is the potential for the site to once again process raw coal as the original facility once did, if they can get enough small operators to partner with them.

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even when no one else is looking. "It takes only seconds. One bad decision can significantly alter your future," he said. "The decisions you make now will determine who you are in the future." Purdy said that being successful isn't something that happens by chance. "People blame me for going to jail, but if you go, you put yourself there," he said. Lindrill Blackwell, with the Department of Juvenile Justice, has worked with juveniles for about 15 years. "We are only human, born to make mistakes," he said, adding that it's important for teens to listen to adults, "because we don't want you to make the same mistakes." Blackwell said Kentucky teens are fortunate to have the opportunity to redeem themselves for minor charges. Pre-trial diversions allow offenders to complete restitution or substance abuse programs so that their crime doesn't show up on their record. However, for capital offenses, such as murder and robbery, teens can be tried as an adult. Blackwell urged students to always have an escape plan if they are out with peers who are misbehaving. "You do have opportunity to get out of a situation," he said. Mary Gross, Officer of Probation and Parole in Estill County, told students, "If you make it to me, you have exhausted all options." She said she has a 97-case load in Estill County, and of those 97, 80 do not have jobs. "They cannot get a job," she said. "No one wants to hire, although they have to actively seek employment. Because they can't get a job, they can't pay restitution. If they can't complete the terms of their pre-trial diversion, they have to tell what they've done," said Gross.

She said she has the right to come in and search a house, computer or phone of anyone under probation or parole. Gross compared her role to that of a babysitter. "You can't leave your house without my permission. You can't buy alcohol, or vote or hunt, because you can't have a weapon," she said. "You have to report twice a month, for drug screening, which makes it hard to keep a job." "I feel like I have 97 kids," said Gross. "Make the right decisions--it really is a big deal." She said there are other cases that she doesn't supervise, including all local sex offenders. During a question and answer session at the end of the panel, County Attorney Davis said between 3 and 4,000 criminal cases come through the courts each year, and that's in a county with a population of approximately 15,000. "If you hang around knuckle-headed people, you're going to be in trouble," he said. Estill County High School Principal Blain Click is hopeful the session will help steer students in the right direction. "I would like to publicly thank each person who participated in the panel," he said. "I would also like to thank Teresa Dawes, who organized the program. I think it is good "common sense" teaching that could affect students in not only education, but also with the rest of their lives." Teresa Dawes, Community Education Director, organized Operation Preparation, a joint initiative of the Kentucky Department of Education and the Department of Workforce Development. "I just hope the students have taken something away from the week's events that they can use later in life," she said.

CHILDREN

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apartment was filthy and social services are notified. Brook was also charged with criminal abuse, first degree, for beating one of her children. Her bail was set at \$10,000 cash. Cobble, 27, was arrested for wanton endangerment, first, and criminal abuse, second, for knowing that his girlfriend Iris Brook had been beating her child. His bond was set at \$7,500 cash.



Shawn Richardson, left, and Ashley Patrick, right, have been featured on a Myrtle Beach commercial airing during the NCAA tournament.

BBB warns of scam

(Lexington, KY) - Better Business Bureau serving Central & Eastern is warning of a jury duty phone scam that tricked a Fayette County woman intopaying a \$500 "fine" for allegedly missing jury duty. The woman tells BBB she received a phone call at home Tuesday night from a man identifying himself as an "officer" with the Fayette County Warrant Division. He told her she had failed to appear for jury duty and was in contempt of court. He told her she must pay a fine over the phone to avoid being arrested immediately. He instructed the woman to go obtain a Greendot Money Pak card at a local store, load it with \$499 and give him the numbers over the phone. He then advised her of a date she could appear in court before the judge to get the fine "returned" to her and the charges dismissed. He said this was due to "special privileges" she had because she has a clean record. "This is a known phone scam around the country," said Heather Clary, BBB Director of Communications. "Court and law enforcement officials have said they do NOT call people on the phone to warn of court charges and demanding payment of fines. Since this woman has paid with a Greendot Money Pak card,she has no recourse for getting her money back." The number the victim was given to call had an 859 area code, which she says made it seem "legitimate" to her. Citizens who receive a call like this should NOT answer any questions and hang up. If uncertain about whether summons for jury duty has been missed in district, circuit or federal court, contact the court in your area at the phone numbers found in the governmentsection of the telephone directory. Citizens may also report the scam tothe Better Business Bureau at (859) 259-1008. Contact the Better Business Bureau serving Central & Eastern Kentucky to check out companies, charities, or to report problems and scams by calling the Lexington office at (859) 259-1008 or toll-free 1-800-866-6668. Services are also available by logging on to <<http://www.bluegrass.bbb.org>> www.bluegrass.bbb.org.

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Estill County Sheriff's Department

3-6, Donny Rogers reported to Deputy Josh Rison that his son, Brandon Rogers, took his generator and pawned it in Clay City for \$150. Donny Rogers brought a pawn ticket showing that his son had pawned the generator. It was recovered on March 6.

3-15, Trent Everett, 3770 Dug Hill Road, reported several items stolen including floor metal and plywood, a green pull-type single axle, a five-gallon yellow can, three red cans with mixed gas, one gallon chain oil, a 20x20 blue tarp, a trailer hitch and a jack stand.

3-18 Chad Brothers, 115 Conway Drive, Marion, said previous residents of 345 Clear Creek Road moved out after not paying rent, and when he checked the home, the washer, dryer and a refrigerator were missing.

Irvine Police Departments

3-23 Justin Roberts, 24, of 437 Ann Street, was arrested on a warrant for violating diversion by failing to

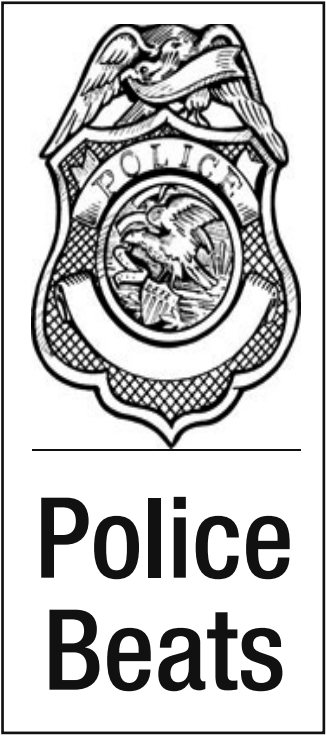
complete substance abuse treatment and by absconding, no bond pending pretrial interview. He was charged with escape, second degree.

3-23 Eddie Sizemore, 21, of 182 Walnut Grove, was arrested by Irvine Police Officer Jon Sturniolo on on a bench warrant for violating diversion by failing to complete substance abuse treatment and by absconding, no bond pending pretrial interview. His underlying charges were burglary, second degree, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, unlawful transaction with a minor, third degree, unlawful transaction with a minor and criminal mischief, second degree.

3-28 Christy M. Henry, 28, of Irvine, was arrested at the Estill Clinic by IPD Officer John Sturniolo after she passed out in the lobby and was falling out of her chair. She failed field sobriety tests and became loud and aggressive in the parking lot of the Estill County jail, causing alarm to children and adults who were nearby. According to the citation, she had two syringes and 11 suboxone strips in her purse as she entered the jail.

3-28 Adam T. Neal, 41, of 1210 Cow Creek Road, of Ravenna was arrested at the Estill Clinic when

the IPD received a call about a male at the clinic who was being hostile toward the staff. Staff members said he was passed out in the waiting room and was causing



alarm. Neal failed all field sobriety tests administered by Officer John

Sturniolo.

3-28 Louis Woosley, 56, of 527 Laurel Street, was arrested at his address by Officer John Sturniolo for disorderly conduct and alcohol intoxication, after causing alarm to his neighbors for using profane language. He was unsteady on his feet, his speech was slurred and he smelled strongly of alcohol, according to the citation.

3-28 Janet Woosley, 60, of 232 Rosebud, Apt. 13, was arrested on River Drive by Officer John Sturniolo after he observed her driving east on River Drive with only one brake light. Her speech was slurred, and she admitted to taking three lortabs earlier that day. Woosley failed sobriety tests. She refused a blood draw at Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital.

3-30 Susan J. Freeman, 42, of 126 Stevens Avenue, was arrested by IPD Officer John Sturniolo after she was involved in a one-vehicle accident. Freeman was unsteady on her feet, had slurred speech, and failed field sobriety tests. She admitted to taking xanax and thyroid medication, according to the citation.

3-31 Justus Begley, 34, of 604 Magnolia Drive, Mount Sterling,

was arrested on Kirkland Avenue by Irvine Police Sergeant Michael Gross. He responded to a call about an accident on Kirkland Avenue and arrested Begley on a warrant. At that time Begley was a passenger in a car leaving the area. Further investigation placed him with the car. Begley admitted to driving the wrecked car which went through a fence and hit a telephone pole. Begley's young son was a passenger in the car. He left the scene without seeking medical attention for himself or his son, according to the citation. The outstanding warrant was for failure to pay court costs of \$163 for a theft by deception charge.

3-31 Lewis E. Woosley, 56, of 527 Laurel Street, was arrested at the courthouse by IPD Officer Adrian McKinney for alcohol intoxication in a public place, third, and contempt of court, legal slander and resistance of order. Woosley came to the pretrial services officer to sign up for MCR. He smelled strongly of alcohol and failed a one-legged stand, walk and turn, and other sobriety tests. He was nodding off in the officer's car and at the jail booking desk. The citation also stated that he couldn't spell his last name.

Susan Starling wins Impact Award

Susan Starling, CEO of Marcum & Wallace hospital received the Estill County Impact Award presented March 25 at the 2014 Legacy Award Luncheon, sponsored by the Bluegrass Alliance for Women.

The woman nominating her noted that her position as female CEO is an inspiration to all young girls and women within our community. "She encourages young girls and women within our community ... to explore their

education and career options." Her leadership has resulted in the hospital being state certified in 2010 as Kentucky's first Level IV Trauma Center.

She also has been named Volunteer of the Year by the Estill County School System.



Left to right: Morgan Fowler, Arielle Estes, Tina Hix, Becky Worrell, Elizabeth Walling and Susan Starling

M55 rocket separation operation to begin

BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT, Richmond, Ky. ▯ The Blue Grass Chemical Activity (BGCA) began separating 44 M55 rocket motors from the nerve-agent warheads March 26, 2014, as directed by the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Activity and the Program Executive Office, Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives.

The rocket separation operation is in

support of propellant analysis which will validate the rocket propellant stability as well as determine best practices for the continued safe storage and future demilitarization operations.

"BGCA is ensuring operations are completed safely, efficiently and environmentally sound," said Lt. Col. Christopher Grice, BGCA commander. "The rockets are safely disassembled using equipment that was specifically developed for the rocket separation operation and successfully used at

both Pine Bluff Chemical Activity and Umatilla Chemical Depot."

Since the direction of the operation, leadership and subject matter experts from Blue Grass Army Depot, Blue Grass Chemical-Agent Destruction Pilot Plant and BGCA have provided briefings to local elected officials and members of the Chemical Demilitarization Citizens' Advisory Commission and Chemical Destruction Community Advisory Board about this operation.

Emergency road aid funds awarded to fiscal court

FRANKFORT, Ky. - The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet today announced that the Estill County Fiscal Court will receive \$37,900 in County Road Aid emergency funds. These funds will be used for slip repairs on Chestnut Stand Road (CR 1302).

"It is important that we help cities and counties fund emergency repairs to

local roadways, because those routes are vital links in the state's transportation network," Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said. "Solid transportation infrastructure is vital in Estill County and across the Commonwealth.

The Estill County Fiscal Court is responsible for administering the work.



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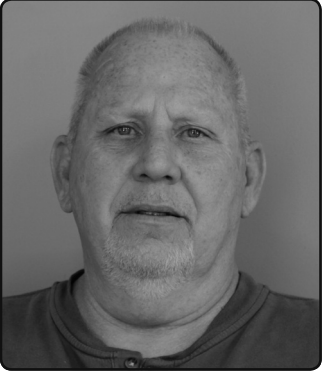
My name is Larry Stewart and I am a candidate for Estill County Jailer.

I have been a resident of Estill County for 28 years. During those years I have been owner and operator of several local businesses and for the last eleven years have been employed by the Irvine Municipal Utilities as a Water Treatment Plant Operator. I am a member of River Drive Christian Church as well as a current member and past president of the Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club. In the past I served for six years as Deputy Jailer and have served as a member of the Estill County Drug Court Review Board as well as a member of the State Police Personnel Board.

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VIEWPOINTS

Senator Mitch McConnell on passing the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act

As a survivor of childhood polio myself, I have always empathized with children today who battle disabling or life-threatening diseases and disorders. I have a special place in my heart for the doctors, nurses, and caregivers who work day in and day out to help these kids, and the researchers searching for cures.

That's why I was especially gratified that the U.S. Senate, at my request, passed legislation to fund pediatric medical research. That bill is now on its way to the president's desk for signature. Too many bills that can do a lot of good are caught up in the nasty politics and process of Washington. This time, we made a difference.

The Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act-named in honor of a young girl who advocated for cancer awareness and tragically

died from a brain tumor at age 10-will rightfully shift funding away from the Republican and Democratic national political conventions toward pediatric medical research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). I don't think anyone can argue with the fact that helping sick and disabled children should take priority over sound bites, balloons, and streamers.

In fact, the bill will completely end the taxpayer subsidy for the two parties' national conventions, which in 2012 amounted to \$36.5 million. Over the next 10 years, the sum amount saved is projected to total \$126 million. All \$126 million will be directed to a fund for pediatric medical research at NIH.

The legislation ensures that the funding must be spent on pediatric

research, and it is not limited to any specific field-all pediatric diseases and disorders, from cancer to diabetes to Down syndrome, will be eligible. Decisions about which projects receive funding will not be made by politicians but by doctors and researchers at NIH through a peer-review process.

As a senator from Kentucky, I've long been a strong supporter of pediatric medical research. I co-sponsored and helped shepherd through the Senate the Childhood Cancer Act of 2008. I also voted for the Combating Autism Act of 2006, and as Senate Republican Leader, helped to secure its reauthorization in 2011.

The Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act passed the House of Representatives with a clear bipartisan majority of nearly 300 votes. When it arrived in the

Senate in December, I worked behind the scenes to ensure the bill was not buried in committee. Then in January, I asked my Republican colleagues to support the measure, and ultimately every single one did so. Yet, for two months, Senate Democrats refused to act. As the Republican Leader, this week I was able to use my position to cut through the partisan gridlock and get the bill passed.

I did so because curing childhood diseases and disorders is the kind of issue that should not be decided based on political party. On the contrary-it is the perfect example of the kind of legislation that should move easily through Congress. On behalf of the children in Kentucky who suffer from incurable illnesses or disorders, I am glad that this time it did.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
Are labor unions really needed today? I am writing in response to Ted Lowe's letter to the editor in last week's CV&T paper.

I contend that as the environment exists with state and federal laws in place along with minimum wage laws, that labor unions are obsolete. Their existence today merely provides employers both public and private with hostile workforces.

Since the federal government instituted such laws such as overtime and put into place organizations like OSHA (which themselves really are not necessary), labor unions have been failing the fight to maintain a presence in the workforce nationwide dropping to less than 15% of private employees belonging to a labor union.

Which begs the question, If labor unions are as good for workers today as they were back prior to WWII, why must there be state and federal laws protecting its existence? Why not allow workers in any environment to choose whether or not to sign up to be a dues-paying member of the union? It's always the practice of Progressives like Ted Lowe to complain about corporate record profits.

When a business, ANY business, makes a profit, that doesn't mean that the owner and its shareholders, if any, take that profit and just divvy it up amongst themselves. Profit is used to reinvest in the infrastructure of the business. It is used to invest financially to shore up the foundation of that business for rainy days. When people receive raises at

work, it's because the business took in enough profit to do so.

The problem with believing that workers have the right to negotiate in the workplace is simply that there is none. The only employee of the business that gets to set their terms of employment is the owner of that business. All other employees agree upon being hired that they will do the job that their employer sets forth at the pay rate set forth and possess no right to demand higher pay, health benefits, or anything else. labor unions and their members bite the hands that feed them and if you really need an example of the pure economic disaster that labor unions leave in their wake, just look at Detroit.

Once known as the motor city capital of the world, it now lays in shambles as businesses left the area in the wake of the labor unions pricing their employees out of a job from the "Big 3." Just ask yourself, would you let your kids run the house demanding that you meet some need that an outside source told them they had a right to and got them believing that they were a victim if they did not get it? That is what labor unions represent.

They collect what turns out to be a tax to clock in and out, and they funnel that money to the Democrat Party whether you approve of it or not.

Thanks,
Virgil Edwards
Irvinite For Liberty

Dear Editor,
We would like to offer a public, heartfelt thank you to every community member who supported the Muscular Dystrophy Association Shamrock drive during the month of March at Little Caesars*. We would also like to thank our crew members and managers who made it their personal mission to support our local store cause of raising enough money to "send a kid to MDA camp". We are very pleased to announce that we raised enough money to send a child to MDA camp this summer! This is an annual fundraiser that is dear to us, and we are already making plans to raise even more next year!
Thank you again for helping us support this cause and making our community great!
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Jimmy and April Stone

Dear Editor,
It has always been the duty and responsibility of We The People to regulate and control our government/elected officials. For many decades now, we have increasingly become derelict in our duties to restrain government infringement on our unalienable rights. At all levels local through the federal government, we have sat idly by as law after law and regulation after regulation is passed that restrains We The People. We go to the voting booth with zombie like precision not really knowing who we are voting for or just how many people we actually casted a vote for. The overwhelming majority of us go to the voting booths pressing that dreaded "Straight Republican Party" or "Straight Democrat Party" button and walking out of the booths with a chip on our shoulder and a "I Voted Today" sticker. We cannot continue to keep telling ourselves that this is freedom and that we are having a voice in our government. What I propose may seem extreme to those who have voted all their life or even have direct ties to their local/state GOP or Democrat party. What I propose is two things which are simple in proposition but will be a pain to implement. First off, I propose that we remove all political party names from our ballots. This way people will be forced to actually educate themselves about who they are voting

for instead of seeing "Republican" or "Democrat" or "Independent" or what have you. This would also force voters to make a conscious effort at the polls to tie their vote to an individual not to a political party. The second proposal I make is to remove all ballot access laws that are not applied equally to all individuals desiring to be elected to public office. Current law perpetually gives advantage to the Two Party system of having Democrats and Republicans in office. This is due to the law requiring third parties to have to obtain 5000 signatures to gain ballot access where as Democrat and Republican candidates need only 2. But even if these two proposals of mine were implemented, this would not be enough to save We The People from an overbearing, over-regulating, over-spending, privacy invading, war mongering government that both parties are guilty of producing. The biggest thing is that We The People must be willing to change our perception on what the proper role of government at all levels is supposed to be. Only then can We The People exert our natural right and will over our government, THE WAY ITS SUPPOSED TO BE!

Thanks,
Virgil Edwards
Irvinite For Liberty

Legislative Update from Senator Albert Robinson



By Albert Robinson
State Senator 21st District

Thursday the House finally passed its budget bill. This gives us only thirteen days to work on it and only eleven if we want to have any veto power after the governor makes changes.

If we do take thirteen, the governor can veto items leaving the legislators no recourse to override his actions,

because time will have run out. Even with thirteen days, it is impossible to review the proposed budget thoroughly so we can make complete informed decisions on our end.

The process, now that we have the budget bill, is that it will be assigned to a committee, have hearings, and then come back to the floor before we can act on it as a body. The time frame for a bill of this magnitude is completely insufficient, and the bottom line is, Kentuckians suffer for the delay.

This budget is a multibillion dollar piece of legislation for the operation of state government. It is the most important piece of legislation that will be produced this year. It is extremely frustrating that the House has held the budget in their chamber for this long. No other piece of action will have the same impact. Education, healthcare, roads, infrastructure, public safety, and so many more critical components of our daily lives rely on a good budget bill. It is not a game, and it seems the House leadership has tried to make it one.

Going forward, we have two choices: We can either pass it, knowing there are hidden projects and other items slipped in that would hurt Kentuckians, or we can go into a special session, which costs taxpayers more money. Now, of course we hope and plan on getting this budget out, but we have such little time to look at it, that we are at risk to miss something important. So, the Senate has been put between a rock and a hard place.

As always, I invite you to visit in Frankfort. Meanwhile, check the work of the Senate Majority Caucus on Twitter at @kysenategov, and my FaceBook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Senatorialbertrobinson> for more information on the legislative schedule and how you can reach me. There you will also find out several different ways to keep up with the work of the legislature.

Senator Albert Robinson (R-London) represents the 21st District comprised of Laurel, Jackson, Estill, Powell, Menifee and Bath counties. He serves on the Banking and Insurance Committee, the State and Local Government Committee, the Transportation Committee, and the Veterans, Military Affairs, and Veterans Committee. For a high-resolution .jpeg of Senator Robinson, please log onto <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/pubinfo/senate38.htm>

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House, Senate Pass Flurry of Bills While Work Continues on Budget Agreement

By Toby Herald
State Representative

This past week was the final full week of the 2014 Regular Session, leaving only a few days remaining until this year's 60-day session comes to a close.

Most activity this past week in the Capitol centered around talks between House and Senate leadership to hopefully reach a compromise on a new two-year budget for the Commonwealth, and a road plan of projects in Kentucky for the next six years.

While there are several differences between the Senate and House on these bills, one glaring difference is an issue many of us in the House took a stand against: raising taxes and increasing debt. The Senate budget and road plans removed the gas tax increase that I and

Clarification needed to protect landowner property rights

By Joe Boone
Guest Columnist

Last March a land agent showed up at my door to inform me that two private companies wanted to install a pipeline for natural gas liquids on my farm. It would originate in Pennsylvania and West Virginia and join with an existing pipeline in Hardinsburg, Kentucky which would link it to Louisiana. I was shocked and told the man I was not overjoyed with that news. But his response set me back even farther when he stated that they felt their project would have eminent domain power, meaning they could come through my property whether I like it or not.

He only wanted survey permission at that time. I agreed to the survey very reluctantly, thinking there was no way I could fight these multi-million dollar companies without going broke.

I am farmer with a cow-calf operation in central Kentucky. I also have a full-time job off the farm. I have lived and worked on this farm my entire life, which has now been in my family for five generations. To say my land is important to me would be a huge understatement. Now someone is insinuating that they have more say-so on my property than I do. I don't take that lightly!

That man who showed up at my door last March works for the Williams Company and Boardwalk Pipeline Partners. Their project is better known as the Bluegrass Hazardous Liquids Pipeline. This article is not about the hazards of the pipeline. It is about eminent domain. It should not matter why a landowner chooses not to have a pipeline on their property for a private company whose only purpose is to make a profit and not to provide any direct benefit to Kentucky residents.

My quest for information led me to local meetings where I heard from both pipeline proponents and opponents. I learned that the issue of eminent domain was not as certain as I was led to believe and also that I did indeed have the right to say no. So I rescinded the survey permission I had previously granted and informed them I was not interested in granting an easement for their pipeline.

For several months I did not hear from them and assumed they had honored the public statements they had made that they would find a path around landowners like me who did not want a pipeline on our property.

That all changed in early November. More surveyors showed up and surveyed neighboring properties and the survey stakes lead up to my property lines on opposite sides of my farm, with my land being the missing link to the complete path. A different land agent then stopped by to ask if I would reconsider but I told him I would not. Now, four months later those survey stakes are still in place leading up to my property lines. That greatly concerns me and it should all Kentuckians that a private company could even consider forcing landowners to give up rights to their land.

All of this worry would be unnecessary if Kentucky's law was clarified so that it was clear that private companies that provide no public benefit are not allowed to condemn the property of Kentuckians.

Most attorneys believe our farms are protected, but that there is some gray area in the law. The pipeline folks insist they do have the power of eminent domain. Representative John Tilley and others filed House Bill 31. It is not designed to stop the pipeline or to kill jobs, only to give landowners the right to say no. It passed the House Judiciary Committee in February with an 11-1 vote, and now needs attention from Senate and House leaders to make sure HB 31 gets through the process before the session ends.

In the meantime many landowners are adjusting our busy lives and sacrificing as much time as possible trying to explain our situation to legislators and convince them to vote for this much needed legal clarification. We are competing with professional lobbyists that Williams and Boardwalk has paid tens of thousands of dollars to argue that their profitability is more important than our land.

I urge Kentucky residents from all parts of the state to please make one call to the Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 and leave a message for all members of the House and Senate to please vote FOR House Bill 31 to protect Kentucky landowners from eminent domain used by private companies.

Joe Boone farms in Nelson County.

many of my colleagues voted against simply because I believe it's wrong to raise taxes in this trying economic climate.

The Senate also reduced the amount of debt in the proposed budget, bringing our debt ratio level to around the same amount. The House Democrat Leadership wanted to put another \$2 billion in new debt in the budget bill, and I voted 'no' because I didn't want to put this additional burden on generations of Kentuckians to come.

While discussions continued on the budget bill and road plan, the House was busy passing several bills and sending them on to Governor Beshear's desk as we approach the end of the session.

One issue that has gained much attention is legislation granting local schools relief from the number of snow days missed this year. The House and Senate reached a compromise and

American Depression, keys to happiness

By Glenn Mollette
Guest Columnist

Mick Jagger's girlfriend L' Wren Scott committed suicide recently. There have been different speculations as to the reason. Unfortunately suicide often is a response to deep depression. Hanging herself in her apartment was a quick and reckless way out of her despair.

Americans are more depressed than ever. Over sixteen billion dollars were spent last year on anti depression prescription drugs. This does not take into consideration illegal drugs and alcohol that millions of Americans consume just to fight the blahs. Medical costs to fight depression cost our nation close to sixty billion dollars a year.

Average America has had a lot to get us down and depressed. Millions are unemployed. Millions more are classified as being underemployed and are considered the working poor. At least sixty million people are living in poverty with another fifty million very close to poverty. Working Americans with mid-level incomes pay more and more taxes and get less and less help.

TIMES PAST

The following is continued from a piece which ran in the March 27 issue of the Citizen Voice & Times. It is continuing Chapter 6 of Hallie Johnstone's book History of Estill County.

COL. SIDNEY M. BARNES

Col. Sidney M. Barnes was born in Estill County, Kentucky, May 10, 1821, and was the son of John H. and Lucy D. Grubbs Barnes. His mother was a native of Montgomery County, Kentucky. His parents were married in Estill County June 1, 1820. John H. Barnes was at one time County Court Clerk. He died young and is buried in the old Irvine Cemetery off Broadway.

Col. Sidney M. Barnes married Elizabeth Mize, September 28, 1824, a daughter of Isaac Mize, an honorable and respected citizen of Estill County. Two sons were born to this union. Thomas H. Barnes, born August 29, 1842 and James K. Barnes.

While operating the Estill Springs Resort, Col. Barnes organized the Eighth Kentucky Volunteers Infantry in the Federal Army. His regiment was mainly recruited in Estill County. He was an excellent lawyer and orator, and a very handsome man. It is said of him that when he was on parade with other officers, he was the finest looking man in the group.

After the War Between the States, he moved his family to Somerset, Kentucky, and from there to the West, and was at one time Attorney General of New Mexico.

Some mention should also be made of the sons of Col. Barnes. A quote from the book, Hell on the Border by Frank L. Van Eaton, is as follows: "One of the prominent members of the Fort Smith Bar, during one time when important history was being made at and around the Federal Criminal Court, was Thomas H. Barnes, born in Irvine, Kentucky, August 29, 1842 and died April 13, 1898." Maj. Barnes served as presidential elector in 1872; served a year as Prosecuting Attorney for the Fifth Judicial Circuit. On April 13, 1897, he was appointed United States District Attorney for the Western Districts of Arkansas, continuing in that office until his death, April 13, 1898. He was buried under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. The flag on the Federal Building was flown at half mast, out of respect to his memory. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Fort Smith, beside his father, "who, in his life, as his son, towered high above the heads of ordinary men."

James K. Barnes was prominent in civic affairs and served as Postmaster of Fort Smith many years.

The writer is most grateful to James Martin, who secured valuable information on the Col. Sidney M. Barnes family after they left our community, and was so kind to pass it on to us. Mr. Martin visited the National Cemetery at Fort Smith while he was stationed there with the National Guards.

JUDGE HENRY CLAY LILLY
Judge Henry Clay Lilly (1829-1900), a

passed House Bill 211, which allows school systems to dismiss on June 6th based on the number of days missed due to winter weather.

Another bill the Governor signed into law this week is House Bill 218 sponsored by Rep. Ken Upchurch, which will allow police officers to check a driver's proof of insurance electronically and eliminating the need for motorists to carry a paper proof of auto insurance card.

The House gave final passage this week on a bill designed to help those who deal with Epileptic seizures. Senate Bill 124 grants approval for a trial study on the use of cannabis oil to treat patients with seizures and related ailments.

And legislation designed to honor and remember those who fought during "The Forgotten War" was sent to the governor for his signature. Rep. Myron Dossett is the sponsor

The middle-class work harder but get further behind. They have house payments, tuition payments and a growing medical insurance load. In the meantime they face local, state and federal governments all trying to figure out ways to impose more tax.

There are five keys to American's overcoming our depression dilemma.

Be involved in meaningful daily activity. An idle life is a depressing life. Human beings need activity. We need to use our hands and minds. Mindless hours of television, staring at the computer or the walls will eventually put you under. Develop a daily life of being busy with meaningful activity. We all need jobs, exercise, gardening, housework, community activities or charity service to enrich our lives.

Develop and maintain meaningful relationships. This may be family, church and work relationships or it could be people from other circles. Everybody needs somebody to talk to. People can be irritating but the same irritating people will keep you from focusing on you all the time. Total self-focus leads to depression.

Give some. I grew up hearing that we

native of Estill County, was one of the leading lawyers and a distinguished jurist of Irvine. He is said to have been a man of culture and refinement, courageous and forceful in his beliefs. He served as master of Irvine Lodge 137, F&A.M. in 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1877 and 1878.

During the Civil War, Judge Lilly organized the Fourteenth Kentucky Cavalry and served as colonel. He married Catherine Tracy of Stanton, and seven children were born to their union. A son, Judge William H. Lilly, a lawyer of distinction, served as judge of Estill County and a member of the General Assembly. Another son, Grant E. Lilly, was a lawyer and at one time County Attorney of Estill County. He later became a prominent lawyer of Richmond. Another son, Pleasant A. Lilly, died young, cutting a promising career as a doctor. Another son, Walter C. Lilly, died young, being then a cadet at West Point. Also a son, Dr. D. Clay Lilly, a Presbyterian minister, who ranked very high in his field of labor. There were two daughters, one of whom died in youth, the other Lou Lilly, married William Hume. Mrs. Hume was a successful business woman, having operated a ladies millinery shop several years in Irvine.

The beautiful colonial home of Judge Lilly's has changed hands several times. It is still in good repair and is occupied at present by Dr. Charles E. Terry and family. A survey of the home has been submitted to The Kentucky Heritage Commission.

James A. Moores, a farmer and stock grower of Estill County, was born in Madison County, Kentucky, June 15, 1837. His father, William J. Moores, also a native of Madison County, engaged in farming in his native county until 1848, when he removed to Estill County. He was a son of James and Sarah A. (Cavanaugh) Moores. William J. Moores was first married in 1833 to Martha Hamilton, a daughter of Alexander and Mary (Douglas) Hamilton, of Madison County, who bore him six sons, viz: John A., James A., Archibald, Josiah, Simeon and Coleman. Following Mrs. Moores' death in 1847, he married Mrs. Amelia Park Scrivner, a daughter of Ebenezer Park, of Estill County. Two children were born to this union: Theopolis and Candace.

James A. Moores was reared on a farm and received a common school education. In 1861 he enlisted in the Federal Army, Company E. Fourth Kentucky Infantry, under Col. S.S. Fry. After several promotions, he was promoted to the Captaincy of his company. He was captured by the Confederate troops near Atlanta, Georgia, on what was known as Cook's Raid, and imprisoned for about four months, escaping at Columbus, North Carolina. After his escape, he joined the Federal forces at Waterloo, Alabama, where he served until the close of the war. Returning to Estill County, he engaged in farming on a 145 acre farm. November 15, 1866, he married Armilda Park, a daughter of Turner and Winna (Park) Park, of Estill County. There were four daughters and two sons born to this union, viz: Clay, Mary T., Sallie, Pattie, Minnie and Scott.

Capt. Ansil D. Powell, a druggist of Irvine, was born in Estill County, November 22, 1825. His father, John B. Powell, a native

of HB 234 which designates July 27th as Korean War Armistice Day annually in Kentucky.

As the final days wind down I expect more bills will go back and forth between the House and Senate, including hopefully a budget bill that is responsible and balanced for the people of the Commonwealth.

I welcome your comments and concerns on any issues impacting our Commonwealth during these final days of the 2014 Regular Session. I can be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181, or you can contact me via e-mail at toby.herald@lrc.ky.gov. You can keep track of committee meetings and potential legislation through the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at www.lrc.ky.gov, and I also encourage you to follow the House Republican Caucus on Facebook and Twitter.

should give ten percent to God, save ten percent and live on eighty percent.

Giving is more than writing a check although checks are significant. Giving and helping others requires exerting positive emotional and physical activity that takes the focus off self. There are all kinds of ways we can be helpful to others.

Develop a spiritual peace. Before you jump off the Golden Gate Bridge or hang yourself from a doorknob try talking to God. Not every day goes our way. Work can be frustrating and people can disappoint us. Problems can break us down. We all need the power and peace that are greater than ourselves as well as our problems.

Get some sleep. A rested mind and body thinks more clearly. Charles Spurgeon was a great minister from England. He once said, "I have so much to do I must go back to bed."

Everybody faces down moments in life. Don't let depression get the best of you.

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of Virginia, was a blacksmith by trade and a farmer by occupation. He was an early settler in Estill County, where he remained until his death in 1864. He was the son of Ambrose Powell, also a native of Virginia, who removed to Estill County.

John B. Powell married Miss Nancy Daniel, a daughter of Beverly Daniel, of Estill County. They were the parents of three daughters and four sons, viz: Marion F., Frances M., Ansil D., Elizabeth, Newton, James H. and Sarah.

Ansil D. Powell grew up on the farm, receiving his education in the common schools. He farmed until 1840, then moved to Irvine and worked at the blacksmith's trade until 1847, when he entered the Mexican War as a Second Lieutenant of the Third Kentucky Infantry, Company F, and served until peace was restored.

Upon returning home, he again engaged in blacksmithing until 1861, at which time he joined the Federal forces as Captain of Company B, Eighteenth Kentucky Infantry, commanded by Col. Sidney M. Barnes, serving three years.

Capt. Powell then returned to his home in Irvine and engaged in the drug business, which he followed the remainder of his life.

On October 29, 1851, he married Miss Jencie Witt, a daughter of Silas Witt of Estill County. Nine children were born to this union, viz: Mary E., Ansil D., Lizzie W., Eddie B., Herbert and Montie H. Three children died in infancy. Mr. Powell was a member of the F & A.M. Fraternity and a Republican.

Time has shown that not all the bravery was displayed by famous Indian fighters in the early settlement of the county. If settlers had not been stouthearted the would not have faced the danger from wild Indians and the hardships of pioneer life.

Brave men fought for our freedom in the Revolutionary War. In each succeeding war Estill County has contributed more than its quota. In the War of 1812 the number who fought was far above the quota. Among them was one Jesse Noland, a prominent member of the Kentucky Legislature, and the originator of the Pony Law. This law has now grown into the Law of Exemption and derived the name Pony Law because the first law passed was in favor of a man whose pony was exempted from debt.

The county of Estill furnished more than its quote when we went to war with Mexico. Another instance of the loyalty of Estillites was on the date of August 31, 1847, when Capt. W.P. Childs organized a company to go to Mexico. The last to survive was William Bellis. In the Spanish American War more than its quota was furnished Uncle Sam.

The last known survivors were Green Reynolds, Jesse W. Jones, Jesse P. Tipton and Nelson McIntosh. Estill County accepted her responsibility in World War I, World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam, giving of her sons, her blood and her endeavors of all kinds, continuing until this day to pray for peace.

TO BE CONTINUED APRIL 10



Obituaries

Mary Lucille Hall Benton, 84

Mary Lucille Hall Benton, 84, of Lilly Avenue in Irvine, passed away Tuesday, March 25, at the Baptist Health Hospital in Lexington after a short illness.

She was born March 29, 1929, in Breathitt County, a daughter of the late Roy and Lucy Thorpe Hall. She was retired from the meat department at Food World and had lived in Estill County all of her life. She was a member of the First Christian Church and the church's Christian Women's Fellowship. She was preceded in death by her husband, Milford Benton.

She is survived by two daughters, Sue Curtis of Richmond and Barsha Honchell and husband, Larry, of Irvine; two sons, James S. Benton and finance, Julie, of Shelbyville, Mark Benton and wife, Kellie, of Richmond; one brother, Vincent Hall and wife, Connie of Franklin, OH; one brother-in-law, Tuffy Benton of Irvine; ten grandchildren, Andrea Williams, Jennifer Neal, Ricky Joe Benton, Stephanie Benton, Tyler Benton, Adam Benton, Steve Honchell, Jordyn Honchell, Kayla Benton, Rachael Benton; and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one sister, Vivian Hall; two brothers, Wallace Hall and Roy Hall, Jr.; and one grandchild, Ashley Elizabeth Honchell.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 27, at the First Christian Church by Pastor Greg Humpert. Burial was in the Roberts Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Vincent Andrew Hall, Jeff Hix, Mike Neal, Bee Williams, Bill Lynch, and Greg Witt. Honorary pallbearers were Ricky Joe Benton, Steve Honchell, Cody Vinsant,

Blake Crowe and Bill Miller.

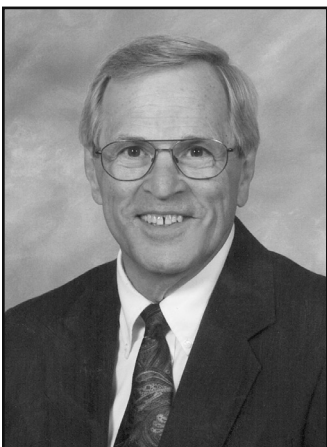
Gary Snowden, 52

Gary Joe Snowden, 52, of Train Alley in Ravenna, passed away, Friday, March 21, 2014, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center after a long illness.

He was born July 18, 1961, in Estill County and was the son of the late Hubert Junior Snowden, Sr. and Sally White Snowden. He was a mechanic and had lived in Estill County all of his life.

He is survived by two daughters, Lora Cox and Miranda Webb; two sons, Joe Snowden and Justin Hobbs; two sisters, Peggy Snowden and Patricia Stepp; one brother, Eddie Snowden; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one brother, Hubert Snowden, Jr.

Gravesite services were conducted Tuesday, March 25, at the Jackson Chapel Cemetery by brother Donnie Watson.



Thomas B. Yeager, Sr., 76

Thomas "Tom" Bennett Yeager, Sr., 76, of Frederick County, Virginia, died peacefully Sunday, March 30, 2014, at his home.

Mr. Yeager was born in 1938, in Irvine, Kentucky, the son of the late Joseph B. and Virginia P. Yeager. Mr. Yeager began his career teaching physics at Eastern Kentucky University and later was employed as an Engineer

with ABB- Robotics, retiring in 1997. He was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Winchester, Virginia.

Tom was a caring and loving soul. In his younger years he will forever be remembered as a former Mr. Kentucky runner-up in bodybuilding. He enjoyed things such as football, basketball and racquetball. In his later years he was known for his love of woodworking and the sounds of the violin. Thomas was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend who will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He married Marian Martin on June 29, 1963, in Ravenna, Kentucky.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Maria Therese Yeager Martin of Gainesville, Virginia; Rebecca Ann Palka and husband, Jon, of Inwood, West Virginia; son, Thomas Bennett Yeager, Jr. and wife, Barbara, of Warrenton, Virginia; two grandchildren, Joseph & Lukas; sister, Mary Anne Schmitz and husband, Bob, of Loveland, Ohio; and brother, Frank Yeager, of Kentucky. One brother, Joseph Patrick Yeager, preceded him in death.

The Yeager Family wishes to offer their most sincere gratitude and appreciation to all the staff at Blue Ridge Hospice and The

Winchester Medical Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted today at 2:00 PM at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church with Father Stanley J. Krempa officiating. Interment will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Winchester, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in Tom's honor may be made to Blue Ridge Hospice, 333 West Cork Street, Winchester, Virginia, 22601 or Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, 130 Keating Drive, Winchester, Virginia, 22601 or St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 322 5th Street, Ravenna, Kentucky, 40472.



Ina Melcafe, 69

Ina Osborne Melcafe, 69, of Dug Hill Road in Irvine died Friday, March 28 at the Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital after a long illness. She was born April 23, 1944, in Estill County, the daughter of the late Robert and Modena Johnson Osborne.

She retired from Carhartt as a machine operator after 36 years. She retired from Carhartt as a machine operator after 36 years. She attended the House of Prayer and had lived in Estill County all of her life. She was proceeded in death by her husband, Eugene Metcalf. She is survived by four daughters; Kathy Henson, and husband Larry of Fairfield, OH; Linda Hunt of Richmond; Pat Bicknell, and husband Fairley of Richmond; and Fay Roberts and husband Bill of Irvine; one son, Billy Wayne Metcalfe of Irvine; four sisters, Lillie Sturgis and husband Edd of Richmond, Indiana; Allie Fair Noland of Irvine; Martha Flynn and husband Ernest of Irvine; Jo Ann Patrick and husband Wilard of Lexington; one brother, Wade Osborne of Irvine; 11 Grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; two daughter in laws Kathy and Reva Metcal.

She was preceded in death by two sons; Gary and Don Metcalf; a son in law and a Granddaughter; Mike and Ashlee Hunt; 12 sisters; 4 brothers; a brother in law; Tracy Noland; ans a sister in law; Linda Osborne. Burial at Turpin

Cemetery. Pallbearers Tony Metcalf, Junior Metcalf, Jason Hunt, Ken Bicknell, Greg Bicknell, Tim Osborne, Travis Taylor

Ulyssus Coffey, 76

Ulyssus Coffey, 76, of Irvine Health and Rehabilitation Center, passed away Saturday, March 29, 2014, at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond after a long illness.

He was born December 30, 1937 in Jackson County, the son of the late Alger and Carrie Cain Coffey. He was a farmer and had lived in Estill County the last few years.

He is survived by one brother, Delmer Coffey of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Lois Brookman, and two brothers; John Coffey and James Coffey.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 1, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. William Willis and Bro. Beverly Arvin officiating. Burial was in the Harrison Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Charlie Willis, Daniel Shuler, April Shuler, Scott Coffey, Junior Coffey, Dennis Coffey and Tom Willis.

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Happy Birthday to you!

Thank You

The family of John Smith would like to thank everyone for all they did during the loss of our loved one.

We would like to thank the funeral home, all those who sent cards and flowers and were there for us during our time of grief. Though we can not name every one who attended the funeral or stood by our side, we want you to know that we greatly appreciate each and every one of you.

Happy Anniversary!

Thank You

The family of John Smith would like to thank everyone for all they did during the loss of our loved one.

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“Shrooming times are here again” to be Mushroom Festival parade theme

The theme for this year's parade is “Shrooming Times Are Here Again”. We will award 10 extra points if you have a “mushroom” somewhere on your float. Your float will be judged on creativity, beauty & originality. We encourage you to use our theme in decorating your float, but it is not required. We will assemble at the Early Childhood Development Center parking lot at 314 Main Street at 11:45 a.m., with judging promptly at 12:00 noon. The parade will start at 1:00 p.m. and proceed on Court Street to Broadway and end at Ravenna City Park.

Safety is our primary concern. The festival committee reserves the right to eliminate parade entries not approved by the festival.

Please observe the following guidelines:

- Candy MUST NOT be thrown from any entry. It may be passed out by an adult walking beside the vehicle/float/etc. If you are passing out candy, please do not stop the flow of the parade.

- Adults must be on floats with children.
- Children may not be placed onto a float or truck or any vehicle during the parade unless there is an emergency. Children may not be removed from a float while it is in motion.
- Children riding in the back of pick-up trucks must sit in the bed of the truck, and not on the sides, at all times. Trucks must have closed tailgates or enclosed backs. No 18-wheel tractor-trailer trucks will be allowed.
- Each pulled entry must have a spotter in the cab other than the driver. That person will watch the back to tell the driver when there is a problem. If an entry has no cab, the spotter must be beside the entry.
- No passengers or riders are allowed on farm machinery, other than the operator.
- Fire trucks in the parade will carry passengers only in the cab or hose bed, not on top of the cab or sides of vehicles.
- No parade participant may ride with feet hanging over the side of the entry.

- Licensed drivers for approved motorized vehicles must be part of a group such as Shriners, American Legion Riders, Car Clubs, Antique Gas Engine and Tractor Clubs, etc. ABSOLUTELY no children will be allowed to operate go-carts, mini bikes, motorcycles, ATV's, golf carts, scooters, bicycles, or skateboards. No animals will be permitted in the parade.
 - No parade participant will be allowed to have a loaded firearm at any time.
 - Entries experiencing difficulty must move to the side of the street so others may pass.
 - Please stay close to the vehicle in front of you to prevent a gap in the parade.
- Please let us know by Friday, April 25, 2014, or as soon as possible if you would like to participate. For further information, contact Terry Williams, (606) 723-5447 or the Mountain Mushroom Festival Committee at (606) 723-1233.

24th annual Mountain Mushroom Festival scheduled for April 26-27

The 24th annual City of Irvine Mountain Mushroom Festival will be held April 26-27, 2014. This years theme will be “Shrooming Times Are Here Again”.

The Mountain Mushroom Festival is a celebration of the Appalachian culture: the morel mushroom, KY agate (state rock of Kentucky), arts and crafts, Daniel Boone National Forest, Kentucky River, and mountains. The festival's mission is to share the cultural heritage and traditions of our community and support area groups (mushroom hunters, agate hunters, local crafters, artisans, and civic organizations) and businesses to foster community pride and stimulate economic development. A local volunteer committee partners with the community to present a variety of activities and provide educational opportunities. The festival provides a weekend of free activities and entertainment for everyone.

Some of the scheduled activities for this years festival for the dates of Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. (booths) and 9 p.m. (grandstand entertainment) and Sunday, April 27 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., are as follows:

- The Bluegrass KY Agate, Gem, Mineral & Rock Show will be held at the Estill County School Central Office gym, 253 Main St., Irvine. Enter at the back of the building.
- The Kruzers Car Show will be at the corner of Main St. and Mack St., Irvine.
- The Pancake Breakfast will be at the Masonic Lodge, 221 Broadway & Lily Ave., Irvine.

- The Student Art Show and Photography Display will be at the Horizon Adult Daycare, 178 Broadway, Irvine.
 - The Antique Gas Engine & Tractor Show will be at the Estill County Fairgrounds, 38 South Irvine Rd., Irvine.
 - The Kentucky River Paddle Event will be under the Irvine bridge.
 - The winning student Poster Contest entries will be posted at BB&T, 119 Broadway.
- Activities:
- Mushroom theme activities include a morel market with morels for sale brought by the local hunters. The availability is dependent on the amount that the local hunters bring to the mushroom tent. Even when a late spring or dry spell makes morels scarce, morels can be tasted after the cooking demonstrations.
- Other activities include prize money for most mushrooms and largest, educational panels on mushroom hunting, interviews with hunters on the narrative stage, morel mascot, natural habitat terrarium for displaying the native morel, shiitake/oyster cooking demonstrations, mushroom cook-off, shiitake log inoculation demonstrations, window decorating contest, fungus 5K & 2K run/walk, parade, student poster contest, photography contest, and sale of festival souvenirs (t-shirts, hats).
- Agate activities include agate hunts in the creeks of Estill County and a KY Agate, Gem, Mineral, and Rock Show. The show features KY agates, gems, minerals, fossils, and rock displays, black light display of fluorescent

material, and vendors selling everything from agates to rocks to jewelry.

Arts & crafts are promoted through vendor booths, heritage craft demonstrations quilt trail display, locomotive train display, and Student Art Show.

Heritage activities include a forest display, Kentucky River display, HistoryMobile with Civil War display from the KY Historical Society, Kentucky River Paddle Event, Estill County Historical Society Museum, Fitchburg Furnace display, and flintknapper demonstrations.

Entertainment on the grandstand will include a school jump rope team, cloggers, gymnastics team, high school jazz band, grade school chorus, and a variety of bands.

Other activities will include a Car Show, Antique Gas Engine & Tractor Show, health screenings, eye screenings, food court, games, paddle event on KY River, Choo Choo Express, and inflatables.

Admission to the festival is free. All events are open to the public and handicapped accessible. No pets please, except for service animals.

For more information contact 606 723-1233, or Irvine City Hall at 606 723-2554. You can also E-mail questions to mushroomfestival@irvineonline.net or visit us on line at www.mountainmushroomfestival.org. Information, registration forms, and the schedule are on the website.



New Artisan Review Application Deadline April 30 Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

BEREA, Ky. - Three times a year the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea holds review sessions to consider works and products by Kentucky artisans who are not juried members of the Kentucky Arts Council programs or the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen. Applications for the next review are due April 30.

Application categories are:

- Visual Arts (crafts, and two-dimensional art)
- Books
- Music, Storytelling and other recordings/Films
- Kentucky Proud food products

Artists can download applications<http://www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov/ma_artisan.aspx> from the Center's website at www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov<<http://www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov>>

Completed application forms along with additional requested materials can be mailed to: Artisan Review, Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, 200 Artisan Way, Berea, KY, 40403. Applications may also be submitted at the Center's front desk from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is located at 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea, Exit 77. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily, year-round, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the cafe open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The center currently features works by more than 700 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. A gallery exhibit, “Repurposed & Recycled: Works by Kentucky Artisans,” is on display through Sept. 6; and in the lobby, “Kentucky Bourbon:

Distillation and Inspiration,” is also on display through Sept. 6. For information about the center's events call 859-985-5448, visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center<<http://www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center>>, or go to the center's website at www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov

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Lake Cumberland levels to be raised again

WASHINGTON, D.C Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Senators Rand Paul (R-KY) and Lamar Alexander (R-TN) and Congressmen Hal Rogers (KY-05) and Ed Whitfield (KY-01) announced today that Department of Interior Secretary Sally Jewell personally informed them that Lake Cumberland’s water level will be restored to 723 feet by mid-May.

The members said, “Recently we met with Administration officials to request that the water levels of Lake Cumberland be restored to pre-2007 water levels in a timely manner, and we appreciate the Secretary of the Interior making an expedited, 45-day decision for their Biological Opinion, which prompted the Corps to sign the order today allowing water levels to be restored to 723 feet - levels adequate to support robust tourism in 2014. This announcement is great news for the thousands of people who rely on the lake for recreation and tourism, and to the local communities, businesses, and individuals whose livelihoods are being impacted because of the lower water levels.”

Background: On February 11, 2014<http://www.mcconnell.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?a=Files.Serve&File_id=f1ed9a1f-9123-4015-8e1a-3ba8c76df728>, at the request of Senate Republican Leader McConnell and Senator Paul, Daniel M. Ashe, Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, met with Senators McConnell, Paul and Alexander and Congressmen Rogers and Whitfield to discuss the water levels at Lake Cumberland.

During the meeting in Senator McConnell’s leadership office, the members urged the agency to complete its study on the Duskytail Darter, a 2.5 inch fish on the endangered species list, in a timely manner that would allow for restoring the pre-2007 water levels on which the local community relies. In addition to that meeting, Senators McConnell and Paul and Congressmen Rogers and Whitfield contacted<http://www.mcconnell.senate.gov/public/?a=Files.Serve&File_id=a8a4828a-907c-4286-86bf-694093a8a989> the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the issue.



HALEY MCCOY, far right, appears at press conference in Hazard where Kentucky Gov. Steve Beshear and U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers announce the members of the SOAR Executive Committee. McCoy, who is Jackson Energy’s Youth Services Director, has been appointed to the Executive Committee. Center for Rural Development photo.

Jackson Energy employee named to executive committee of SOAR, Saving Our Appalachian Region

A Jackson Energy employee is a member of a diverse group of Eastern Kentucky business leaders who have been named to the Executive Committee of SOAR, Saving Our Appalachian Region.

Haley McCoy, who is Jackson Energy’s Youth Services Director and also works with economic development, is among a 15-member group named to the initiative’s Executive Committee. The announcement was made Monday in Hazard at a news conference hosted by Gov. Steve Beshear and U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers.

The Executive Committee will be co-chaired by Gov. Beshear and Rep. Rogers, and held its first meeting Monday in Hazard. The group developed a nine-month action plan to guide them as the initiative seeks continued conversations and deeper outreach throughout Kentucky’s Appalachian counties, which will culminate in a second regional summit in late fall 2014.

The executive committee will oversee design, execution, and funding of SOAR activities and will conduct the search for a permanent executive director.

McCoy, who lives in McKee, is also a member of the Christian Appalachian Project Board, as well as a director of the Young Professionals of East Kentucky. She is a graduate of Union College and the Lexington Theological Seminary.

“Jackson Energy is committed to improving economic development in the region we serve,” says Jackson Energy President & CEO Carol Wright, “and the SOAR initiative is another way we can work to improve the lives of our members.”

“The Congressman and I spent several weeks reviewing the SOAR report from that incredibly productive SOAR summit in December, and then we turned to look for the people to carry out this work – community leaders with the proven tenacity, organizational skills and commitment to devote time and resources to these tasks,” said Beshear. “We are excited about the ambitious action plan to encourage further and even more intensive conversation on critical topics. We are asking a great deal of these leaders, and in turn, we are also asking the citizens of eastern Kentucky to stay engaged and energized, because our collective work is still in its early stages.”

“With the loss of nearly 2,300 more coal mining jobs in eastern Kentucky last year, the urgency for action has never been greater,” Rogers said. “We vowed to plan our work and work our plan, and the Executive Committee members are taking on the monumental task of leading the way through uncharted waters. The SOAR Summit generated tremendous content, and we need folks from every corner of the state to remain committed to the cause.”

The committee’s nine-month action plan calls for large-scale outreach to eastern Kentucky businesses, local governments, organizations, and citizens this summer through ‘listening sessions’ to be held throughout the region. These sessions will produce detailed strategies for moving the region forward that will become part of a SOAR program of work to be presented at a regional summit in November.

Jackson Energy is a Touchstone Electric Cooperative serving over 51,000 homes and businesses in Southeastern Kentucky.

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Permits Ashley Gilbert, March Newman, Lisa Beagley, Cody Boian, Dustin Gibson, Whitney Innis	Bishop, dissolution of marriage	vs. Doris Isaacs, \$1,040.83 claimed debt owed, plus costs and interest.
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FRANKFORT, Ky. Rep. Toby Herald, R-Beattyville receives a proclamation from Ralph Barnes, Chief Door Keeper with the Kentucky House of Representatives from the Society for the Promotion of Good Government. Rep. Herald received the award “...for his dedicated service as advisor and confidant to House leadership, and his wise counsel to the entire membership of the House...” during the 2014 Regular Session of the General Assembly, “...(and) is a testament to the extraordinary contribution made by Representative Herald.”

EKU Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism Partner to create Trail Town Ambassador Program

The Center for Appalachian Regional Engagement and Stewardship (CARES) at Eastern Kentucky University is partnering with The Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism to launch the Trail Town Ambassador Program.

CARES Regional Outreach Agents Maggie Bill and Michelle Allen are now certified Trail Town Ambassadors after training with the Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism to learn how to present the program to interested communities and help them navigate the certification process.

Trail Towns are located along long distance trails, an extensive trail system, or waterway used for canoeing, kayaking, or similar recreation activity. The Kentucky Trail Town Program works to develop interested communities into gateways to area trails and rivers and helps them establish directional signage for local services and attractions, letting users know what’s available and enhancing the local tourism economy.

Allen and Bill will be able to guide communities through developing their committees, creating a connector trail and completing the required assessments. The agents will work with the Office of Adventure Tourism to help the communities with any other issues they may face during the certification process. They will be available to help communities throughout Kentucky that are just getting started as well as those already in progress.

CARES Director Ian Mooers noted that the partnership is the result of a conversation begun at the SOAR conference in December with Elaine Wilson, executive director of the Office of Adventure Tourism.

“Tourism is a key part of the economy in Eastern Kentucky and across the state,” Mooers said. “The Trail Town Program can help communities focus on their existing assets and build destination attractions. Maggie and Michelle have extensive experience in tourism development, and this unique partnership will enhance our University’s community engagement efforts. We look forward to working with communities to build their local capacity to shape their own future economy.”

Allen and Bill are already known by many throughout the region from their recent work with TOUR Southern and Eastern Kentucky (TOUR SEKY).

“They have been trained in the Kentucky Trail Town process, and are well-versed in all it entails, having worked with us over two years,” Wilson said. “They have led several trips for our towns to Damascus, Va., Trail Town USA, to meet with their local officials and were able to see and hear firsthand what Damascus and Abingdon (Va.) did to host more than 2000,000 people a year to their towns.

“Now they have a whole university (EKU) at their disposal to assist (and) will be a great asset assisting communities through the many steps and committee work that needs to be done. Their tourism background plus the University resources will help tremendously”

Allen, who hails from Pulaski County, earned a bachelor’s degree in broadcasting from EKU. Bill, an Eastern Kentucky native now residing in Berea, earned a bachelor’s degree in communications from Morehead State University before working in television for WYMT and WKYT.

CARES (regionalstewardship.eku.edu/eku-cares) was established to further develop EKU’s relationship with and service to the Appalachian region of Kentucky and the University’s 22-county primary service region.

For more information about the Trail Town Program, contact Elaine Wilson, executive director of Adventure Tourism, 502-564-4270 or elaine.wilson@ky.gov.

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Spring Ramblings



By Jerry Eltzroth
CV&T Guest Columnist

Recently I took advantage of one of our rare warm, sunny days to do some outside chores. It was a bit windy, but still the best day we have had for quite a while. Late in the afternoon I was inventory-ing the roadside litter. The melted snow had revealed an abundance of trash left along our long frontage by people who do not care about our environment. Earlier in the day someone had picked up the dozens of aluminum cans; however, the can scavengers never bother with any other litter. Since I go places where others fear to tread, I found a couple dozen cans my predecessor failed to find.

We always save our can tabs for our grandson, Travis. His middle school in Madison County trades them for much needed school equipment or to help charitable organizations. The aluminum cans we accumulate or have given to us I trade for cash at our local salvage dealer. Our grandkids receive the proceeds and use it for their ‘mad money.’

While picking up the litter, I was mentally taking inventory. It seems that Bud Light beer, Mountain Dew pop and McDonald’s restaurant are the favorites of our neighborhood litterers. In about a month, I can fill 2 or 3 more Walmart bags. I have a great disdain for people who litter our beautiful landscape.

After accumulating 4 Walmart bags bursting at the seams with bottles, fast food refuse, dirty diapers, plastic bottles, cardboard, etc. I was heading back to the house when a vehicle stopped. A young fellow rolled down his passenger window and politely asked, “Sir, do you need a ride?” I thanked him for his thoughtfulness and explained what I was doing. I guess I looked old and pitiful to him. My backside was a bit mud splattered after backing the tractor out of a muddy hole earlier in the day without giving thought to the consequences. In hindsight I suppose I was looking a bit ‘long in the tooth.’

These first days of spring bring forth a relief from the unusually cold winter we suffered. Daily I see signs that spring is beginning to overpower Old Man Winter. Squirrels are scampering everywhere. The red tail hawks are circling in twos and screeching. I believe I know what they are thinking. We had a large red tail hawk perch near our bird feeders all winter, and he watched the cardinals, blue jays, doves, finches, woodpeckers, etc. as they feasted on the sun flower seeds. I’m certain I could see that hawk licking his beak in anticipation of his next succulent meal. Bonnie loves to look out her kitchen window and watch her birds.

One sure sign that the weather has warmed is that our neighbor is back outside with his guitar and amplifier practicing his rock and roll licks. We are about a mile from him but it seems as if we have a front row seat to his concerts. He has improved since last year.

The reception is best when I am at the top of the far hill of our farm where I have been replacing a fence line. The bad winter we just experienced has really slowed this project. You need a good set of legs under you and a robust set of lungs to make it to the top of this hill. It is nearly inaccessible by vehicle or tractor. However, it is worth the effort to see the view from up there. Since there are no leaves on the trees you can see for miles around. It must be about the highest point in Witt Springs. If I remember correctly it is about 875 feet above sea level on the topographic maps I have seen of this area. I can look down on the rooftops of neighbors up and down Sand Hill Road and Webb Road. If you look to the west you can see Webb’s pastures on the other side of Possum Run Creek and almost to Elmer Richardson Road. Our hill is far from being the highest point in Estill County. It is but a mere foothill in comparison to knobs that lie to the east and south of here.

Bonnie has been picking up limbs and cleaning out her flower beds to get acclimated to the toils that come with warm weather. There are patches of green grass that think it is already summertime. That is a warning shot that I need to finish getting our armada of mowers, bush hog, weed eaters and tillers serviced. We will soon be mowing grass. Bonnie says, “Yahoo!” I mutter, “Oh, no.” I do not mind mowing a reasonable amount, but we seem to try to mow the whole 100 acres. We get a lot of compliments from complete strangers on how nice we keep the place looking. People have told us that they give directions using Bonnie as a reference point. “Do you know where the lady lives that mows all the time?” Well, it’s not far past her place.”

It will soon be time to get the gardens tilled. Bonnie has

her heirloom tomato plants sprouting in the greenhouse—our basement. We raise a lot of garden produce to enjoy throughout the spring and summer. There is always a large surplus to be canned and frozen. It is a lot of work but as my father always said, “It beats eating snowballs in the winter.” It seems as though we try to feed the whole ‘fam family’ at times. We share our abundance with our good neighbors when we have extra. Bonnie’s green beans and fried corn are in demand year round. Our 4-year-old granddaughter, Emma, who unfortunately is now living in Texas, tells her mother, “Mom, your green beans are not as good as Mamma’s.” That always makes a big hit with Mom.

Some people work themselves into a frenzy trying to be the first to have fresh vegetables. Bonnie is a firm believer in waiting until all danger of frost is over and in letting the ground get warm. This lingering winter is slowing that process.

That was not the case when I was growing up in Dayton, Ohio. My father got me hooked on gardening at an early age. My older brother, Ben, and I had to turn the ground with a garden fork and break it up with hoes. You would think that would turn me against gardening. It did my brother. Ben never did raise a garden after he left home. Dad was there to encourage us. He would say, “Get the garden turned over boys, please. If you don’t please, do it anyway.” After a few years of having us turn the garden with forks Dad started renting a tiller. That took a lot of the drudgery out of gardening; however, the weeds still had to be chopped during the growing season.

Dad always had a race with Uncle Ivan every year to see who would have the first ripe tomatoes. The last chance for frost in Dayton, Ohio is a bit later than here. That never discouraged my Dad. He had us set the tomatoes in early April. When a frost was predicted the tender, young plants had to be covered with newspaper hats, buckets, etc. which was a lot of extra work. We had to beat Uncle Ivan by having a ripe tomato by July 4th or sooner. One year we went to Uncle Ivan’s house for a 4th of July cookout. As Dad stepped up to the breezeway at Uncle Ivan’s he immediately glanced at the garden at the far corner of the backyard. He exclaimed, ‘Dang you, Ivan! How did you get ripe tomatoes already?’ As Dad stared at the garden he realized something was amiss. On closer examination Dad found Uncle Ivan’s secret—he had tied ripe tomatoes on the vines! Uncle Ivan let loose with that infectious laugh of his.

Bonnie and I are blessed to have such loamy soil for our gardens. I guess that is why they call this Sand Hill. I drag the harrows over the gardens, run the tiller over the rows, and we are ready to plant. Our youngest grandchild, Emma, helps Mamma in the garden by bringing her sand bucket and shovel. Emma loves to run through the garden with her bare feet. She thinks the garden is the beach. Bonnie digs our sweet potatoes with her bare hands since the soil is so loose.

The greatest threat to our gardens besides severe storms is the abundant wildlife. The deer love to munch on the new growth in Bonnie’s flower beds. She would like to have open season on deer year round. We do not hunt, but we allow family members to hunt and thin out a few deer each season. The deer seem to be winning the war of attrition. Each year their numbers are as great, or greater, than the previous spring. Bonnie is a reincarnated ‘Annie Oakley’ with a rifle or pistol. I

try my best to stay out of her crosshairs. She has hunted small game. I was an avid small game hunter in Ohio. Maybe it is because we are seniors or because I’m too lazy to hunt, but now we just like to watch the wildlife scampering about the farm. A mountain lion and black bear have been sighted on or near our farm in recent years. A few years ago, Bonnie swears she saw a wolf behind the barn. Yesterday she saw a young bobcat during daylight hours which is very unusual. We see red and gray fox often when the mulberries are ripe. If Bonnie is venturing around the farm by herself she usually packs her pistol.

We put a solar powered electric fence around the garden to deter the deer. We enclose the garden with 4 strands of ‘hot’ ribbon wire up to 5 feet high. The deer soon learned to jump the electric fence, so we added some plastic ribbon to increase the height to 8 feet. Once in a great while we have a curious deer that bounds even that height.

Squirrels, coons and crows can be as destructive as deer in the garden. The coyotes seem to have eradicated the ground hogs; however, I have been seeing signs of a re-emergence of them the last couple years. The electric fence does not deter small game. The squirrels devoured more of our sweet corn 2 years ago than we ate. We were overrun with squirrels that year. Last year we moved the corn closer to the house and they never bothered the patch. We may have had less trouble with them because the squirrel population seemed to be much lower. Hopefully, they have migrated to another area.

The best solution we have found to prevent coons from getting into the corn is to tie a dog by the garden at night. Kali, our Australian shepherd got too old to be effective. Before we had to have her put down because she was suffering from cancer she could not hear and had nearly lost all of her vision. We would place her on guard duty by the garden at night to ward off the nocturnal critters. They seem to know she was deaf and nearly blind. The coons tiptoed around Kali’s house as she slept and foundered on our sweet corn.

Prior to leaving a dog tethered near the garden at night we tried every trick that people recommended. Once I even tried leaving a radio playing all night. It was tuned to a rock and roll station. That scared them off for a week. The coons soon realized the music would not hurt them and even started dancing to the beat as they ate our silver queen—the only corn Bonnie will grow.

The greatest threat Bonnie found in the garden was a snake. Bonnie’s mother and father lived in the old house next to ours before they passed away. The garden was between the houses at that time. Bonnie went to visit early one morning. Coleman Bonnie’s father, told her he thought she had her first ripe tomato in the garden. Bonnie looked towards the garden and could see a spot of red on one of the tomato vines. She went to pick it and screamed! Coleman had wrapped a red rubber snake around the stalk. Oh, how we miss their antics.

P.S. There have been several break-ins on Sand Hill Road and the near vicinity the past winter. Be alert to suspicious activity- keep things locked up and out of sight. The bad guys will be more adventurous with the warmer weather. We have our own unofficial neighborhood watch group with our nearby neighbors.



Our gardens always look as if gypsies live here with all the ribbons adorning the perimeter.

Jumble Word Contest

The winner for March was Angela Moore.
Send in your recipes for a chance to win in March.
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BOOKMOBILE



•Monday, April 7- Nothwood Apts., Winchester Rd., Edgewater Drive, Crestview Ct., Mountain Crest.

•Tuesday, April -8- Stacy Lane, Rice Station, West Irvine.

•Wednesday, April 9 -Horizon Daycare, Ravenna, Wagersville, Angels Keepers.

•Thursday, April 10- Sugar Hollow,Buck Creek, Doe Creek, Barnes Mountain.

•Friday, April 11-South Irvine Elementary.

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CALENDAR

Alcoholics Anonymous

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Free Vaccine

The Estill County Health Department is offering free tetanus/pertussis (T-Dap) vaccine while supplies last. Walk-ins are welcome. 606-723-5181

Estill County Rescue Squad Fundraiser

To the residents of the Estill County Rescue Squad protection area: Representatives will be going door to door for the Estill County Rescue Squad taking up donations. Anyone who participates will receive one free 8x10 family portrait, you will be contacted for an appointment. All representatives will have photo IDs along with a letter explaining the fundraiser. As always your continued support and cooperation is needed and will be greatly appreciated.

Twin City Kruzerz Car Club

Twin City Kruzerz Car Club will hold their monthly meeting on the first Monday of each month at Irvine City Hall at 7 p.m. If the meeting falls on a holiday it will be the following day. All members and anyone wishing to join the club are welcome. If you have any questions please call Loyd Flynn at 723-6776, or Kenneth Tipton at 723-7554.

Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs

A Veterans benefits field representative will be at the National Guard Armory located at 335 Cow Creek Road, Ravenna, on the first Thursday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for federal and state veterans' benefits. This service is free. For further information, call toll free within Kentucky 1-866-376-0308 to speak with a representative.

Estill County Historical and Genealogical Society

The Estill County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, at the Estill County Public Library. This will be a business meeting with election of officers, preparation for the Mushroom Festival, and discussion of Aldersgate Camp for May 6 at 6 p.m. The meal will be a choice of steak for \$14.50 or

chicken for \$12.50. To make a reservation, please contact Diane Arthur at 606-723-2636 by April 30. The 2014 calendar is now available at the Museum on Saturdays. There should be a correction in the calendar for the month of July: "Anne Rainey Clark" should be listed as "Nancy Ann Rainey Clark." The Estill County Pictorial History, WW II Book, the School Book, and the two volumes of the Cemetery Books are still available.

Best Friends Training for Families of Persons with Dementia

Learn how to be a Best Friend to a family member or friend with dementia. This workshop will teach how to relate to a person with dementia in order to improve communication, enhance quality of life, and provide a sense of comfort and security. Presented by Tonya Cox, MSW and hosted by Christian Care Communities & the Alzheimer, Association Greater Kentucky/Southern Indiana Chapter. The program will take place on Wednesday, April 16th from 5:30pm-8:00pm at the Best Friends Center at Bridgepointe at Ashgrove Woods, 5220 Grey Oak Lane, Nicholasville. A complimentary dinner will be provided. Registration is required; please call 1-800-272-3900 or e-mail infoky-in@alz.org.

American Legion Post 79 Roadblock

DAR Legion post 79 will be having their annual flag fund road block on Saturday, 5 starting at 9 a.m. until noon. the flag funds is used to help buy flags to place on Veterans graves om Memorial day, all donations aer apprachisted, we would like to thank you in advance for your suppppport.

FLO Party

There willl be a FLO Party meeting every Tuesday in April(18,15,22, 29) at 6 p.m. at the Estill County High School cafeteria.

DAR holding Potluck

DAR Chapter 94 will be having potluck dinner on April* at 6p.m. at senior citigen building. All DAV members welcome. Meat will be furnished by the chapter, if you have any questions call Robert at 606-663-2504.

River City Player Production

River city players present "Murder in Bing Hall:, a dinner theater production on Wednesday, April 12 at 6 p.m. Pre-sales tickets are \$25 per person. Limited seating, reservation required. Dinner catered by Gladys White. Go to River-City-Players.com, Riverviewplayers on Facebook, or call Susan Hawkins at (606)723 5755.

CHURCH NEWS

Mt. Carmel Christian Church

There will be a revival at Mt. Carmel Christian Church in Ravenna with Bro. Randal Johnson. Services are Sunday, April 13 at 6pm, Monday, April 14-Thursday, April 17 at 7pm. Special Music each night! All are Welcome to attend! Call 606-726-9342 if any questions Also, please attend our Sunrise Service at 7AM on Sun., April 20 & our Rsurrection Sunday Service at 11AM

St Elizabeth's April Basement Sale.

Basement Sale St Elizabeth Catholic Church, Ravenna, KY.
The April Basement Sale will be held on Sat., April 5th from 7:30 am until 2:00 p.m...Clothes, household & many more great bargains!

Boones Creek Baptist

Boones Creek Baptist Camp is taking applications for summer camp. Ages 7-14. Counselors are also needed. Applications are available on our website at www.boonescreekbaptiassoc.com or call for applications. For more information call Boones Creek at 859-744-0037.

House of Prayer

There will be a singing at the House of Prayer, 535 Dark Hollow Road, Saturday, April 5 at 7 p.m. Features singers will be Holbert Russell and the Praise Singers. There will be refreshments after the singing. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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Plne Hill Baptist Church

There will be a singing at the pine hill Baptist church on Sturday, April 5 at 7 p.m. Featured singers aingers will be The Riscardson Family, Everyone is invited to attend.

Stacy Lane Community Pentecoastal Church of God

On April 6 at 7p.m. there will be a singing at Stacy Lane Community Pentecostal CHurch of God. The featured Singers will be Brother Danny Reed, Heaven's sake, and Jesus for Christ. Pastor Rev, Jsson Riddell welcomes everyone to attend. For more information call(606)717-1216. Also Children's Easter musical(drama approxinately one hour) From Lighthouse Curch in Clay City will be there on Friday night, April 7, at 7 p.m.

Easter Valley Baptist Church

Dove Creek, from Madison County, will be singing at Easter Valley Baptist Church this Sunday morning, April 6. Everyone is invited.

Community Calendar and Church News announcements should include a brief description of the event along with the time, date and location. Please include a phone number for more information with the announcement. Announcements can be submitted by mail, email or phone. Deadline for announcements is Monday at 5 p.m.

AND CHURCH

BAPTIST

BEECH GROVE BAPTIST Red Lick Rd., Rt. 3, 723-6745; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Pastor Marion Brewer

CALVARY BAPTIST 723-7187 or 2416; S.S. 9:45 & 11 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

COW CREEK BAPTIST Hwy. 52, Beattyville Rd., Ravenna; 723-6183; Harold J. Lahrmer, Min.

DRIP ROCK BAPTIST, Route 2004; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11:30 a.m. 4th Saturday singing 6 p.m.

EASTER VALLEY BAPTIST Star Route, Irvine; Pastor, Michael Davis; S.S. 10am, W.S. 10:45am & 6pm.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST 3905 Richmond Rd.; Sherl Thomas, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

FAITH BAPTIST, KY 52, 1 mile east of Estill-Lee county line. SS 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Pastor, Todd Blevins

FIRST BAPTIST 351 Broadway, 723-4173; Chris Winkler, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST Hudson Avenue and River Drive, 723-4816; Scott Rogers, min. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

GREENBRIAR BAPTIST 6750 McKee Rd.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Pastor, Delmar McGee.

HARG BAPTIST Spout Springs Rd., 723-6747; Larry Neal, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

IVORY HILL BAPTIST 8315 Winchester Rd., Ted Barker, Min.; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

KNOB LICK BAPTIST CHURCH Knob Lick Rd., Fred Livingood, pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

MORRIS CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST Kevin Chaney, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6p.m., Thurs. 6 p.m.

NEW BETHEL #1 BAPTIST CHURCH Barnes Mt.; Rev. Aaron L. Stamper; W.S. Sunday 11 a.m.

OLD TIME BAPTIST Jerry Chaney Pastor; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Singing Service, Worship Service follows the singing.

PINE HILL BAPTIST Star Route Bro. Dennis Williams, Min. S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.Wed. 7 p.m., Bill Meece pastor.

SALEM BAPTIST Spout Springs, 723-6683; Jerry Smith, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

SOUTH IRVINE BAPTIST 1215 South Irvine Road, 723-

8298; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Pastor, Donnie Burford.

THOMAS BAPTIST Route 2; Rick Kirby, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.; Wed. 7 pm. Phone 723-6809

WILLIAMS MEMORIAL BAPTIST 404 Poplar St., Ravenna, 723-5429; Vincent Carmen, Interim Min.; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

CATHOLIC

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH 322 Fifth St., Ravenna; 723-4705; Father Al Fritsch, SJ, Mass 9 a.m. Sun.; Weekday Mass 6 p.m. Wed. & Thurs., Religious Ed. 6:30 p.m. Wed.

CHRISTIAN

BEAVER POND CHRISTIAN Glendon Mays, Min., S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Bible Study Wed. 6 p.m.

BETHEL CHRISTIAN Fox, KY 859-744-0277, Doyle Spry, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

CORINTH CHRISTIAN Linville Dunaway, 723-3369. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

CROOKED CREEK CHRISTIAN Leo Crowe, Min. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 270 Main St., Irvine 723-2924 S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m. Bro. Greg Humpert, Pastor.

MT. CARMEL CHRISTIAN 180 Furnace Jct., Ravenna, Min. Mark Pearson, 726-9342, church, cell phone 859-582-5015; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

RAVENNA CHRISTIAN 7th & Elm; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday, 7 p.m. Pastor Tony White

RICE STATION CHRISTIAN Rice Station Rd. 723-4791; Kirt Scott, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

RIVER DRIVE CHRISTIAN 363 River Dr., 723-2553; Minister Paul Groves. S.S. 9:45 a.m. W.S. 10:45 am, 6:00 pm and Wed. 7:00 pm

SAND HILL CHRISTIAN 626-5862; Matt Vaught, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

SOUTH IRVINE CHRISTIAN 932 South Irvine Rd., 859-744-1693; Mike Chism, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

STATION CAMP CHRISTIAN Scott Beauchamp, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

BROADWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST 262 Broadway, 859-369-4165; Bob Casey, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed 6 p.m.

COBHILL CHURCH OF CHRIST S.S. 10 a.m; W.S. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

SOUTH IRVINE CHURCH OF CHRIST 723-3707; Tony Belcher, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

WEST IRVINE CHURCH OF CHRIST Bond St.; Jason Dixon, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD Millers Creek 723-4749; Merle Travis, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

GUM SPRINGS CHURCH OF GOD Glenn Case, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11:15 a.m. & 6p.m.; Bible Study Wed. 7 p.m.

HARGETT FIRST CHURCH OF GOD Forrest Turpin, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.

IRVINE CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY 223 High St. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 6:30 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

IRVINE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD 197 Broadway 723-6911; Stanley Hutchinson, Interim Pastor; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. p.m.

RAVENNA CHURCH OF GOD 212 Third St. 723-2898 Willie Hargus Gordon, Min. Brad Brinegar, Youth Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

ROADSIDE MISSION CHURCH OF GOD Furnace Road, 723-4183; Henry Johnson, Pastor

WHITE OAK CHURCH OF GOD Rt. 4, 723-0562; Glyndon Woosley, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

METHODIST

CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST Rt. 5, 859-986-3265; Greg McClellan, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

IRVINE FREE METHODIST 113 Plum St. 606-531-0465; Rev. Chris Carlyle, Min.; S.S. 9:30 a.m.; W.S. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. Adult, Youth, Kids' Club.

IRVINE UNITED METHODIST 243 N. Main St. 723-3667; Rev. Don Hatton Min.; 723-2634 S.S. 9:30 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

WISEMANTOWN UNITED METHODIST 1358 Wisemantown Rd., 723-5694; Pastor Greg McClellan, S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.; Wed., 7 p.m.

NAZARENE

IRVINE FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, Broadway, Irvine Pastor Curt Napier, Sr.; SS 9:45 a.m., MW 10:45 a.m.; S.E. 6 p.m.; Wed., 7 p.m. 517-719-2238.

RAVENNA CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, Main St., Ravenna Pastor: Rev. Rob Steinbrook, SS 10 a.m., MW 10:45 a.m. EW 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m. 723-4259.

OTHER

BODY OF CHRIST, Bill

Wesley, pastor; Sunday morning service 11 a.m.; Sunday night service 6 p.m.;Thursday night service, 7 p.m.

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CENTER Jim Bonny Pastor, Broadway, Irvine; 606-531-0102; S. S. 10 a.m. W.S. 10:45 am, Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

CRYSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH, Pastor Jerry Rose, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.

FULL GOSPEL EVANGELISTIC MINISTRY CHURCH 1972 Winchester Road., Irvine; 606-723-0343; Pastor Larry Collins; Church service Sun. 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

GREEN PASTURES WORSHIP CENTER 722 Broadway, Irvine; Doug Baker, Min.; Sun. 10:30 am., youth service Sun. 6 p.m., Wed. adult Bible study at 6:30 p.m. Phone 606-726-0510.

IRVINE APOSTOLIC CHURCH 823 River Dr. 723-1904; Pastor Ivan Smith; S.S. 10 a.m. Sun. 6 p.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.

NEW BEGINNING FELLOWSHIP 813 Old Richmond Rd., 723-5612; Delvin Reece, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

NEW VISION FULL GOSPEL, 5th St., Ravenna, SS 10a.m., MW 11 a.m., Sun. 6pm, Wed. 7p.m. Pastor: Buford Powell

SOUTH IRVINE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD Senior Pastor, Bro. Paul Arvin; During the winter months, there will only be service on Saturdays at 7 p.m. There will be no Sunday services.

THE NEW LIFE APOSTOLIC CHURCH, (UPC) 2502 Richmond Rd. 723-4105; Ross Conley; S.S. 10 a.m. Sun. 6 p.m. Tues. 7:30 p.m.

OUTREACH CHURCH, Services Sunday, worship-11 a.m.; Thursday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.

STACY LANE COMMUNITY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD 723-5076; Jason Riddell, Min.; W.S. 7:30 p.m. Fri./Sun.

WAGERSVILLE COMMUNITY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD Beverly T. Arvin, Min.; S.S. 10:30 a.m.; W.S. 7:30 p.m. Sun. 6 p.m.; Thurs./Sat.

LOWER RED LICK HOLINESS CHURCH Dwight Northern, Min.; Sun. 6:30 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.

RESTORATION NOW MINISTRIES, 100 Tyler Lane, Irvine, Pastor, Veronica Lay; Sunday W.S. 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 723-2449.

TRUE VINE MINISTRIES, 102 River Drive, Irvine, Bro. Terry Barnes, Sunday W.S. 10 a.m.; S.E. 6 p.m., 723-8421.

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Encouraging word: A supporting bond



Howard Coop
Guest Columnist

The winter has passed, and it was a rough one in several ways. In addition to the snow and ice that, at times, made travel difficult, Kathryn spent two weeks in the hospital after which she came home showing

little improvement. In the days following her release from the hospital, she, at times, appeared to be getting worse. Then, she left us. The situation was stressful. During those days, my first responsibility was to care for her and do whatever I could to help her. As I did what I had to do, I remembered that Paul wrote to his friends in Corinth and reminded them of “the hardships (he) suffered in the province of Asia.” In that situation, he was “under great pressure, far beyond (his) ability to endure, so that (he) despaired even of life.”In

the situation I faced, I was not to that point, but I was under pressure and felt the weight of the situation upon me. Each morning during the worst of those days when I felt that pressure upon me, I would go, when I had an opportunity to do so, to my computer and read the messages that poured in from around the world from my friends on at least three continents. While the wording was a little different, each one of those friends said the same thing: “I am paying for you and Kathryn.” I, too, was helped by their prayers. When I read those messages from friends in Asia, Europe, North

America, and nearby, indeed, my spirit was lifted and I was strengthened for the task before me by the comforting, caring, and assuring words of those friends. Then, I remembered the other words of Paul when he wrote to his Corinthian friends about his situation, “You help us by your prayers.” A supporting bond that assures us that we are united by the prayers and concerns of our friends is strong and powerful. In all situations, it brings encouragement and enables us to bear the burdens that weigh heavily on us.

FINAL SETTLEMENT

ESTATE OF: Vercie Flynn, Administratrix: Tina M. King, 317 Basset Ave., Lexington, KY 40502, Date Apptd.: 12-07-2011

Notice is hereby given that a final settlement has been filed in the above-listed estate. You have 30 days from the filing date of the settlement to file exceptions, properly proven, with the respective representative of the estate.

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ESTATE OF: Billie Ray Seals, Administratrix: Rita Faye Seals, PO Box 873, Irvine, KY 40336, Date Apptd.: 03-19-2014

Estate of: Bobby Woolery, Administratrix: Jamie Woolery, 1664 White Oak Rd., Irvine, KY 40336, Date Apptd.: 03-17-2014.

Notice is hereby given by the Estill District Court that administration has been granted in the estates listed above. All persons having claims against the same have six months from the date of appointment to file the same, properly proven, with the respective representative.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA)
Hazardous Waste Permit
Class 3 Permit Modification Request
Blue Grass Army Depot, Richmond, KY
EPA ID KY8-213-820-105**

The Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) and Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP), EPA ID KY8-213-820-105, located in Richmond, Ky., are submitting a Class 3 permit modification request to the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection (KDEP), Division of Waste Management. The requested modification is to BGAD's Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste permit for chemical munition storage and related items. The proposed permit modification adds an Explosive Destruction Technology (EDT) system to the permit. This system will be used to destroy mustard-filled projectiles and two Department of Transportation bottles containing mustard.

A 60-day public comment period began on March 14, 2014. In addition, BGCAPP will host a public meeting on Monday, April 14, 2014, at 7 p.m. at Eastern Kentucky University's Carl D. Perkins Building located on Kit Carson Drive in Richmond, Ky. Representatives from BGAD and BGCAPP will be present to answer questions and discuss the proposed modification. The public is invited to obtain information and ask questions about the EDT system and the permitting process at this meeting.

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Written comments can be sent for consideration by close of business on May 13, 2014, and should be directed to:

Heather Alexander
Department for Environmental Protection,
Division of Waste Management
200 Fair Oaks Lane, 2nd Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601-1190
(502) 564-6716
heather.alexander@ky.gov

BGAD and BGCAPP's compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the KDEP contact person above.

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For other questions concerning the meeting, please contact:

George Rangel
Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant
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Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
Hazardous Waste Storage
Permit Renewal Application
Blue Grass Army Depot,
Richmond, KY
EPA ID KY8-213-820-105

Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) and tenant Blue Grass Chemical Activity (BGCA), located in Richmond, KY, are submitting an application to the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection (KDEP), Division of Waste Management, for renewal of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste storage permit. The RCRA permit, set to expire in September 2014, covers conventional munition operations waste storage in two (2) munition bunkers (igloos) and chemical munitions waste stored in 47 igloos.

A 60-day public comment/request period begins on the date of this notice. Written/electronic comments must be sent by close of business May 29, 2014. Request for public hearing with justification, if warranted, must be sent by close of business May 15, 2014. Comments/Requests must be sent to:

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Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-1190
(502)-564-6716
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Mr. Mark Henry
Public Affairs Office
Blue Grass Army Depot
431 Battlefield Memorial Highway
Richmond, KY 40475
(859) 779-6941
mark.d.henry.civ@mail.mil

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Kentucky Afield Outdoors: Spring a bit behind this year, but trophy smallmouth time is here

FRANKFORT, Ky. – You hear about Lake St. Clair, Mille Lacs, Lake Erie and the upper Mississippi River as waters that produce the best smallmouth fishing in the United States. As far as catching numbers of smallmouth with many of those larger than 4 pounds, you can't argue with the sentiment. However, to catch the largest specimens in the world, you need to fish in Kentucky and Tennessee. This statement isn't regional boastful pride or being a homer, it is fact. The three largest smallmouth bass on the ESPN/Bassmaster Top 25 Smallmouth Bass list came from one water body: Dale Hollow Lake, which straddles the Kentucky-Tennessee line in south-central Kentucky. The all-tackle world record came out of Dale Hollow, an 11-pound, 15-ounce behemoth. Leitchfield's David L. Hayes caught that fish by trolling points in the Kentucky section of the lake on the morning of July 9, 1955. Dale Hollow produced John Gorman's second place smallmouth, a 10-pound, 14-ounce fish caught in April 1969. Gorman fooled the smallmouth with a white doll fly fished in the Obey River arm of the lake. Paul Beal's 10-pound, 8-ounce third place smallmouth struck a smoke-colored grub in April 1986 from the Hendrick's Creek arm of the lake. In all, six of the top 10 smallmouth bass on the list came from Dale Hollow. "The upper Cumberland

River system has great smallmouth bass genetics," said John Williams, southeastern fisheries district biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Since this general area produces the biggest smallmouths on record, the genetics are excellent for producing huge specimens." Kentucky is blessed with three world-class smallmouth lakes: Laurel River Lake, Lake Cumberland and the upper section of Dale Hollow Lake that produced the world record. Williams and his crew oversee the smallmouth bass management on Laurel River Lake and Lake Cumberland and assist with the Kentucky portion of Dale Hollow Lake. The numbing cold of this past winter has fishing rhythms well behind most years. March is normally one of the best months of the year for trophies, but this year it will be April as water temperatures are just now breaking into the upper 40s on these lakes. In spring, smallmouth bass move from their winter hideouts - along steep points, bluffs or suspended above channel drops - toward their spawning grounds on gently sloping banks that run from shallow to medium-depth water. Long, extended points that run well out in the lake also make good spring areas in these lakes as do the shallow ends of small coves that run off the main lake or a major creek arm. Jerkbaits and swimbaits also

fool smallmouths on sloping banks in spring. Anglers report catching smallmouth bass above 4 pounds recently on Dale Hollow using Tennessee shad-colored swimbaits and clown-colored jerkbaits fished on gently-sloping pea gravel banks. Those banks with some grass on them are best. "If wanted to catch a smallmouth bass 6 pounds or better, I would go to Laurel River Lake," Williams said. "I hear regularly of smallmouths over 7 pounds coming from the lake and it seems to improve every year." Small, pearl-colored swimbaits rigged on ¼-ounce lead-head jigs are deadly in spring on long, sloping points in Laurel. Blade baits ripped off the bottom and allowed to settle again also work well in these spots. Watch your line intently when the blade bait sinks to bottom again as smallmouth often pick it off as it settles. "Laurel is harder to fish and can be terribly frustrating and you'll leave convinced there isn't a smallmouth in it," explained Williams, who caught his personal best 6-pound, 3-ounce smallmouth from the lake two years ago. "Then, you catch a monster and you are motivated again." The smallmouth population in Lake Cumberland is consistently good year after year. "The lake's smallmouths are in great condition with many 20-inch and longer fish in the population," Williams said.



Kentucky lakes hold some of the largest smallmouth bass in the world

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources staff artist Rick Hill (left) and "Kentucky Afield" television host, Tim Farmer (right) admire a smallmouth bass Farmer caught from Dale Hollow Lake in early spring. Dale Hollow Lake, Laurel River Lake and Lake Cumberland hold some of the largest smallmouth bass in the world.

The sloping banks near Low Gap Island, in the middle and lower sections of Otter, Caney and Wolf creeks all have excellent trophy spring smallmouth potential. Swimming a small black and purple or olive hair jig just above bottom in these areas produces strikes right now. Slowly working deep-diving red or orange and brown crankbaits from shallow to deep on these banks works well. Crawling or swimming

5/16-ounce finesse jigs in the Cumberland Craw color along the bottom in these areas also draws strikes as does deadsticking black finesse worms on ¼-ounce Shakey heads.

The rip-rap along the dam almost always holds spring smallmouths.

"These lakes have the potential to produce world-class specimens in springtime," Williams said. "Now is the time to fish if you can."

Author Lee McClellan is a nationally award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine, the official publication of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. He is a life-long hunter and angler, with a passion for smallmouth bass fishing. Get the latest from Lee and the entire Kentucky Afield staff by following them on Twitter: @kyafield.

Extension agent update: Eastern tent caterpillar eggs winter hardy, and UK offers spring grazing school



By Eric Baker
Estill Co. Extension Agent

Eastern tent caterpillar eggs winter hardy



Blasts of polar air across Kentucky made this winter one to remember for many, but experts say the eastern tent caterpillar probably didn't take notice.

This insect spends the winter as tiny, fully developed caterpillars in distinctive egg masses that encircle twigs of wild cherry and related tree species. The eastern tent caterpillar is one of the first insects to become active in the spring and is well adapted to survive Kentucky's often erratic winter and early spring weather.

"Hardy may be too mild a term for them. Laboratory studies have shown that caterpillars in the egg can withstand temperatures down to 31 below zero Fahrenheit," said Lee Townsend, University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Extension entomologist. "It has been a cold winter, but temperatures have not been low enough to

expect a significant reduction in egg hatch this spring."

According to Townsend, dissections of some eggs collected in early March show a nearly 80 percent survival, which is typical of most years. That is also the same rate determined in studies by UK entomology researchers during the 1999-2001 Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome, which resulted in staggering losses of foals. MRLS can cause late-term foal losses, early- and late-term fetal losses and weak foals. Subsequent studies by UK researchers revealed that horses will inadvertently eat the caterpillars, and the caterpillar hairs embed into the lining of the alimentary tract. Once that protective barrier is breached, normal alimentary tract bacteria may gain access to and reproduce in sites with reduced immunity, such as the fetus and placenta.

"The growth and development of many insects is directly dependent on temperature. Usually, this allows relatively accurate predictions of egg hatch and development. Unfortunately, the eastern tent caterpillar is an exception," Townsend said. "Predictive models using degree-day information can provide a general idea of when egg hatch can occur, but actual hatch in the field is variable.

"In fact, eggs from a single mass usually hatch over about a two-week period, not all at once," he said. "This is an important survival mechanism that protects the species from high mortality. Prolonged egg hatch increases the chances of species survival, even if some early caterpillars are killed by freezes or heavy rains during early spring."

According to Townsend, Kentucky arborist Larry Hanks has tracked the eastern tent caterpillar egg hatch in Central Kentucky since 2001. His earliest observation of a hatch was March 13, 2012. The latest was April 4, 2013. Typically, the caterpillars first appear during the second or third week of March.

It is still too early to provide

a general prediction for 2014," Townsend said. "Continued cold will slow development, but a string of 70 degree days can cause egg hatch to begin in a short time."

According to Townsend, eastern tent caterpillar populations seem to have increased over the past five to seven years, with numerous tents visible in wild cherry trees along fence lines in some areas of the state. Regrowth and sprouting of new trees may have resulted in increases in host trees and, subsequently, the caterpillars.

To get rid of active caterpillars, Townsend recommends pruning them out and destroying the nests as they are seen, if practical. Any one of several insecticides registered for use on shade trees can also be used to treat as needed. Spot treatments to the tents and/or the foliage around them can be applied according to label directions, which vary by product.

"This is a good time to prepare," Townsend said. "Begin by checking pasture fence lines to see how abundant wild cherry is in them. If practical, plan to move pregnant mares from areas where these trees are abundant to minimize the chance of exposure to the caterpillars. The potential is greatest when the mature tent caterpillars leave trees and wander to find places to pupate and transform to the moth stage."

For more information, contact the Estill County Extension Service at 723-4557. Educational programs of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

UK offers spring grazing school

The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food, and Environment will host a Spring Grazing School will be held on May 21-22, 2014 at the Woodford County Extension office and the C.



Oran Little Research Center in Versailles, KY.

This two-day program will include hands-on exercises, such as building temporary paddocks and watering systems, assessing pasture production, and designing your own grazing systems. Classroom sessions include a variety of topics, such as forage management and establishment, animal health, and how to better manage grazing systems. Emphasis will be on spring and summer grazing options for beef and dairy cattle, sheep and goats. This program is designed to help producers explore opportunities that can increase the productivity of their land and profitability of their operation. In this two-day program, participants will be challenged to think about what they are currently doing, and what they could do differently. Participants will get to see examples of different forages and how management practices impact yield. Also, they will see an example of rotational grazing, and the different stages of pasture growth after cattle have been removed from the paddock. For those who are interested in better utilizing their pastures, this is a great opportunity to learn how to do that. This program is designed for both new and veteran producers who can learn how to improve their operations. Anyone interested in this program may register, but

space is limited to the first 45 individuals so apply early. The \$50.00 registration fee includes all materials, grazing manuals, breaks, and lunch both days. To register, contact Cody Smith, Master Grazer Coordinator, at (859) 257-7512 or cody.smith@uky.edu. A program and additional information can be found at the internet website <http://www2.ca.uky.edu/grazer/GrazingSchool2014Brochure.pdf>

SEEDING LAWNS

Although fall is considered the best time to seed cool-season grasses in lawns, February through March is usually the second most successful time of year to seed. Springtime soil moisture is often good but because soil temperature is usually low, germination is very slow. After germination, however, seedling growth is usually very fast.

Under optimum conditions the germination time for cool season grasses is generally listed as 15 to 21 days for Kentucky bluegrass, 7-10 days for tall fescue, and 5 -7 days for perennial ryegrass. However this time can be greatly extended when surface soil moisture is very lacking, when there are periods of wet/dry conditions, when the surface soil temperature remains cold, or when old seed or poor quality seed is used.

Turf-type tall fescue is recommended for most KY

lawns and the top varieties include Regenerate, Grade 3, Hemi, Bizem, Fesnova, Catalyst, Bullseye, Falcon IV, Falcon V, Terrano, and Firebird 2. Select the best variety and purchase certified seed when possible. Such seed is generally pure and true to type for the characteristics developed by the plant breeder. Certified seed will contain fewer weed and other crop seed contaminants and will be free of inert filler. If you are unable to buy certified seed, it is still very important to buy seed by variety name. Seeding rate for turf-type tall fescue is 6 pounds per 1,000 square feet. Make sure you get the seed in contact with the soil for success.

Mow as frequently as needed to keep the old grass or weeds from shading the new seedlings. As the new seedlings develop, continue mowing at the height intended for the entire turf area. Do not let the seedlings grow tall before mowing. Weed control can usually begin, if needed, after the new seedlings have grown enough to have been mowed one or two times.

For more detailed information on lawn care, contact the Estill County Extension Office at 723-4557. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

A large group of students, likely a school band or orchestra, are performing on a stage. They are arranged in several rows, with some students standing and others seated. A conductor is visible in the foreground, facing the group. The stage is lit, and the background is a plain wall. The students are wearing various instruments, including brass and woodwinds. The overall scene is a formal musical performance.

Photo submitted

She called her induction a surprise and an honor.
"I am very humbled," she said.

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Bowie Refined Coal now in production



Andy Barr discussed the future of coal industries during his visit on Monday. In the background the new loading tipples can be seen.



Photos by Lisa Bicknell

Employees of Bowie Refined Coal gathered at the office to listen to Congressman Andy Barr.



The rumble of heavy machinery can be heard as heavy equipment operators mine the cedar covered coal piles. This large truck is driven by "Smiley," one of the woman drivers on the workforce. A co-worker said she's one of the best.



Photos by Lisa Bicknell

Congressman Barr and Vice President of Operations, Justin Thompson, right, discuss the future of the operation.

Operation Preparation: Law enforcement officials urge students to avoid criminal records



Mary Gross, parole officer



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Lindrell Blackwell, Department of Juvenile Justice



Rodney Davis, County Attorney



Robert Purdy, Kentucky State Trooper

Trail Town Ambassador Program

RICHMOND, Ky. -- The Center for Appalachian Regional Engagement and Stewardship (CARES) at Eastern Kentucky University is partnering with The Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism to launch the Trail Town Ambassador Program.

CARES Regional Outreach Agents Maggie Bill and Michelle Allen are now certified Trail Town Ambassadors after training with the Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism to learn how to present the program to interested communities and help them navigate the certification process.

Trail Towns are located along long distance trails, an extensive trail system, or waterway used for canoeing, kayaking, or similar recreation activity. The Kentucky Trail Town Program works to develop interested communities into gateways to area trails and rivers and helps them establish directional signage for local services and attractions, letting users know what's available and enhancing

the local tourism economy.

Allen and Bill will be able to guide communities through developing their committees, creating a connector trail and completing the required assessments. The agents will work with the Office of Adventure Tourism to help the communities with any other issues they may face during the certification process. They will be available to help communities throughout Kentucky that are just getting started as well as those already in progress.

CARES Director Ian Mooers noted that the partnership is the result of a conversation begun at the SOAR conference in December with Elaine Wilson, executive director of the Office of Adventure Tourism.

"Tourism is a key part of the economy in Eastern Kentucky and across the state," Mooers said. "The Trail Town Program can help communities focus on their existing assets and build destination attractions."

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